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## FOREIGN OFFICE SCANDAL.

### HIGH OFFICIAL DISMISSED THE SERVICE.

### MR. O'MALLEY, OF HANKOW FAME, INITIATES SPECULATIONS.

### THE REDEEMING FEATURE.

London, Feb. 27.  
The Board of Enquiry appointed by Mr. Stanley Baldwin as a sequel to the case in which Mrs. Dyne was ordered to pay £38,000 and costs to a firm of foreign bankers, evidence in which revealed that important officials in the Foreign Office were involved, has concluded its sittings.

As the result of the Board's findings, Sir Austen Chamberlain, who joined the Premier in directing the Board's appointment, has directed that

Mr. J. D. Gregory, the Assistant Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, be dismissed;

Commander Maxse be severely reprimanded, and to forfeit three years' seniority; while

Mr. O. St. C. O'Malley, the negotiator of the famous Hankow agreement, who was also involved, be permitted to resign.

Sir Austen Chamberlain adds to the announcement, a minute that he was glad to observe that serious as were the offences from the Civil Service point of view, there was no question of corruption, or of the use of official information.

A transaction by Sir Miles Lampson in 1920 was mentioned by the Board of Inquiry, who commented that while they regarded the purchase of foreign currency by a member of the Diplomatic Service as undesirable, it had nothing in common with a gamble in difference.

## ZINOVIEFF LETTER ACCUSATIONS

The report of the Board reveals that all three officials lost in franc speculations. Mr. J. D. Gregory lost about £20,000; Commander Maxse, over £3,000; and Mr. O'Malley just over £100.

### Hugo Transactions.

It was established that in 1923, Mr. Gregory speculated jointly with Mrs. Dyne, the defendant in the action, and continued to do so until 1925. Mrs. Dyne was the wife of one of his former school-fellows. Between them they dealt with approximately 250,000,000 francs.

After 1925, Mr. Gregory continued his speculations separately, his manipulations then involving a further 40,000,000 francs.

Apparently Mr. O. St. C. O'Malley was the initiator of the whole business, but his personal transactions were infinitely smaller, and of shorter duration.

### Accusation Baseless.

The notorious Zinovieff Letter of October, 1924, was mentioned by the Board of Enquiry, which recalls that on October 25th, 1924, a letter addressed by the Foreign Office to the Soviet Ambassador in connection with the Zinovieff Letter was signed by Mr. Gregory "in the absence of the Secretary of State."

The Board recalls that the circumstances of its despatch and publication became the subject of acute political controversy and there arose suspicions that Gregory deliberately attempted to compromise Mr. Ramsay MacDonald's Government by "going to the Board regarding past investigations behind the ex-Premier's back" a month, the view is expressed of the new days before the General Election, simultaneously to serve his own financial ends.

The Board finds the accusation against Mr. Gregory to be baseless as the late Sir Eyre Crowe, less as the Permanent Under-Secretary of the Foreign Office, was responsible for the decision to send the letter, following instructions from Mr. Ramsay MacDonald.

Mr. Gregory's signature to the note was just a matter of routine, and ought to have known better.

London, Feb. 27.  
The report of the Board of Inquiry is a lengthy document, compiled after much evidence had been taken and is divided into three parts.

The first deals with the cases of the three Foreign Office officials connected with the speculation in foreign currency. The

## CAVELL WAR FILM DISPUTE.

### EXECUTION SCENE DETAILED.

### SIR AUSTEN CHAMBERLAIN'S STRONG CRITICISM.

### PRODUCER'S DEFENCE.

London, Feb. 27.  
The controversy concerning the film "Dawn," depicting the famous story of Nurse Edith Cavell, is not yet settled, in spite of the refusal of the British Board of Film Censors to permit its exhibition in Great Britain.

The matter was brought up to-day in the House of Commons at question-time, when the Dominions Secretary was asked for the Government's proposals regarding its exhibition in other parts of the Empire.

Lieut. Col. L. C. M. S. Amery replied that it was not proposed, nor had it been requested, to communicate with the Governments of the Dominions, or any other part of the Empire, regarding the exhibition of the Cavell film.

### The Execution.

Sir Austen Chamberlain, who has taken a big interest in the controversy, quoted from the report of the Government technical adviser, who received from the producer, Mr. Wilcox, a description of the execution scene.

Apparently the scene shows a member of the firing party refusing to level his rifle, and he is shot dead. The remainder of the party fire above Nurse Cavell's head, the heroine faints, and the German officer advances and despatches her.

### "Wholly Apocryphal."

Sir Austen Chamberlain added: "I believe that the account of the execution is wholly apocryphal, and I feel it is an outrage against this noble woman's memory to turn to purposes of commercial profit so heroic a story."

Replying to supplementary questions as to the measures to be taken to prevent a repetition of such an unfortunate controversy, Sir Austen Chamberlain said:—"I am not dealing with the general censorship of films."

"I am speaking as an English gentleman about what I think is an outrage on humanity," loud cheers greeted the Foreign Secretary's remark.

### Mr. Wilcox's Explanation.

Mr. Wilcox, the producer of the war film "Dawn," in reply to Sir Austen Chamberlain, states that the scenes as described by the Foreign Secretary do not form part of the film nor were they ever taken.

He says that the actual shooting of the soldier who refused to fire and the shooting of Nurse Cavell by the officer are not shown in the picture, but are merely indicated.

He points out that no Government official in any capacity has seen the film, and he declares that he has arranged to show it in Berlin privately next week.

Information obtained from many sources led the Board of Inquiry to conclude that rumours of many Civil Servants being involved in such transactions are groundless.

The report refers to Sir Miles Lampson, the British Minister to Peking, buying jointly with his wife, £1,000 worth of French francs in 1920, which he sold later at a profit of £135. The Board of Inquiry states that they regard such a purchase of foreign currency by a member of the Diplomatic Service as undesirable, even though it was a single transaction.

## U.S. POLICY IN CHINA.

### MINISTER DENIES ANY CHANGE MADE.

### "PULL TOGETHER."

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, Feb. 28.  
Speaking at a representative banquet given in his honour by Shanghai Americans, Mr. J. V. A. MacMurray, the United States Minister to China, disclaimed any change in America's policy towards China, which was, however, adaptable to changing circumstances.

Mr. MacMurray said the objectives of America's policy remained unaltered. They were fairness to the Chinese and fairness to other nationalities—a simple, straightforward, and honourable policy.

The Minister added that he welcomed the change amongst the American community, shown by the fact that the merchant and the missionary were realising the oneness of their interests. Extremes were disappearing and tolerance ensuing. "All were sitting in the same boat, bound for a common destination, and the time had come to pull together."

Other speakers dwelt on the insidious ramifications of the "Red" terror; the President of the American Chamber of Commerce stressing the treacherous activities of Soviet inspired journalists in betraying their own country by malicious written propaganda.

## THE "ALCANTARA" TRAGEDY.

### MYSTERIOUS "ALL CLEAR" SIGNAL EXPLAINED.

### RUSSIAN'S EFFORTS.

London, Feb. 27.

The mysterious "all clear" signal, which delayed rescue efforts in connexion with the Alcantara disaster, has been explained by Captain Friedman, of the Russian barque Tovaritch.

In an interview at Southampton, Captain Friedman declared that the steamer Baron Douglas came alongside in response to the S.O.S. and when told that the Tovaritch was in no immediate danger, but perhaps some of the crew of the other vessel were in the water, the Baron Douglas went off presumably to render assistance.

Then more wireless messages were received, to which the Tovaritch replied "All clear" meaning as regards herself, but she broadcast all stations giving the place of the collision, stating that men might be in the water.

The Tovaritch being a sailing vessel was unable to manoeuvre to stand by the ill-fated Alcantara, but lowered several boats immediately it was possible. It took, however, half an hour to slow up sufficiently to be able to launch them.—Reuter.

## NO MULTILATERAL TREATY.

### BRITAIN'S NEGOTIATIONS WITH U.S.A.

London, Feb. 27.  
Sir Austen Chamberlain replied in the negative when asked in the House of Commons at question time whether America had offered Great Britain a multilateral treaty similar to that offered to France. The reply covered a further question as to whether negotiations concerning such a treaty were not proceeding.—Reuter.

## U. S. IMMIGRATION QUOTAS.

### INCREASES TO EUROPEAN COUNTRIES.

Washington, Feb. 27.  
President Coolidge had transmitted to the Senate a Bill providing for considerable increases in the immigration quotas of several European countries, including Britain, whose quota is fixed at 65,894 compared with 34,007.—Reuter's American Service.

## CANTON EXCITED OVER ARREST.

### PANG PAI TRACKED DOWN.

### SUSPECTED OF BEING HOIFUNG RED LEADER.

### VIGOROUS DENIALS.

Considerable excitement has been caused in Canton, according to Chinese reports, by reason of the arrest of Chinese who is suspected to be Pang Pai, the notorious Communist chief of the Hai-Luk Fung Soviet.

It is known that on Sunday a man who gave his name as Pang Pai was arrested, but although there is said to be evidence of identification, the man himself denies that he is the Chinese Soviet leader. Investigations by the police are still being held, and it is said that General Li Chai-sum himself presided at a trial which was held immediately after the man's arrest.

### Story of Arrest.

The story of the arrest, as it was recorded in vernacular papers, is to the effect that two officials, of the Headquarters of Li Chai-sum's Army, were having their tiffin at the Luk Yuen tea-house, opposite the Canton Treasury, on Sunday at about noon. While the couple was chatting over a cup of tea, one of them noticed that at one of the tables was a party amongst whom was a man who resembled Pang Pai, the Communist leader.

At the time, one of the officials happened to have in his pocket a newspaper reproduction of the photo of Pang Pai, and he promptly took this out and compared it with the suspected man. The resemblance being borne out, the two officials resolved to keep a sharp look-out on the movements of this man.

When the suspect left the tea-house, the officials followed him up. From Wing Hon Road, the man was seen to walk into Tai Nei Road, then to Cheung Hin San Street, where he entered a book store. Fearing that the suspect might endeavour to elude them, the officials approached him and effected his arrest.

### Vigorous Denial.

When taken to the Headquarters of the Eighth Expeditionary Army, the man admitted that his name was Pang Pai, but added that he was not the "Red" leader of Hoifung and Lukfung Districts. He said the latter was a Holo, while he, himself, was a native of Panyu and he could speak Cantonese fluently. Furthermore, the prisoner said he was acquainted with General Li Chai-sum and that at one time he was an officer of a certain Division of the Canton troops.

Later, when General Li Chai-sum was informed of the arrest he attended the trial, but is said to have declared that he could not recall having made the acquaintance of the man before. The prisoner, however, persisted that he was with the Canton Army at one time and that he was in no way connected with the "Red" reign in the Hoifung and Lukfung districts.

### Book Store Raided.

Subsequently, a party of soldiers raided the book store, and the whole premises were thoroughly searched, but it is not known whether they secured any evidence against the accused. The trial of the prisoner continued up to a late hour on Sunday night and the latest information from the Headquarters is to the effect that, other than the man's name, there is as yet no evidence confirming the suspicion that he is the Communist leader.

## SOUTH AMERICAN CALAMITY.

### MANY KILLED IN CINEMA COLLAPSE.

Rio de Janeiro, Feb. 27.  
Many fatalities, mostly women and children, have occurred as the result of the collapse of a cinema in Curitiba, in the State of Parana. Thirteen bodies have recovered so far.—Reuter's American Service.

## STRIKING RUBBER FIGURES.

### FOREIGN PRODUCTION MAKES RAPID ADVANCE.

### RESTRICTION EFFECT.

London, Feb. 27.  
In the House of Commons at question time, Mr. Amery, the Dominions Secretary, said that the rubber production of the British Empire in 1921 was 208,000 tons compared with 97,000 tons by foreign countries.

In 1927 the figures were: British Empire, 844,000 tons; foreign countries, 268,000 tons. He pointed out that the production of British companies in foreign countries were included in the figures for the latter.—Reuter.

Colombo, Feb. 27.  
Mr. J. Wall, presiding at the annual meeting of the Ceylon Chamber of Commerce, expressed the opinion that with the established use of reclaimed rubber and the ever-increasing output of the Dutch East Indies, it was difficult to find a reasonable argument in favour of the continuance of the Stevenson Restriction Scheme.

The speaker added that "unless Dutch interests are prepared to join us, we are bound to weaken our own position eventually by continuing in our efforts to control the position by restricting exports."—Reuter.

### Important Dutch Meeting.

Amsterdam, Feb. 27.  
Great importance is attached to a meeting of the Dutch rubber growers of the East Indies to be held at the Hague on March 1st. The meeting has been convoked by some members of the Board of the International Union, but it is not being held under the auspices of the Union.

British and other foreign members have, therefore, not been invited.—Reuter.

## NORWEGIAN LOAN.

### TO BE ISSUED IN BRITAIN AND AMERICA.

Oslo, Feb. 27.  
The Government has been authorised to raise a loan of 120,000,000 kroner for conversion of the floating debt, and announced that it has concluded an agreement for a 35-year loan of \$30,000,000 in London, New York and Boston.

The rate of interest will be five per cent, and there will be no repayment for the first five years. The price of the issue has not been stated.—Reuter.

## RUSSIAN MONEY FOR SWEDEN.

### MAINTAINING ORE-MINERS STRIKE.

Riga, Feb. 27.  
The "Red" Trade Unions have sent a further 16,000 roubles to the strikers in the ore-mining industry in Sweden making a total of 76,000 roubles up to date. It is a matter of note that wage disputes have been proceeding for some time in the Swedish ore-mining and pulp industries.—Reuter.

## AMERICA'S NAVAL REDUCTIONS.

### ALMOST TO BRITISH GENEVA PROPOSALS.

London, Feb. 27.  
Mr. W. C. Bridgeman, the First Lord of the Admiralty, in a speech in London to-day, said that the American naval programme was now being reduced almost to what Britain proposed at Geneva.

He had no reason to believe that America wanted ships for anything else than for her own defence.—Reuter.

## PRICE HENRY'S HUNTING MISHAP.

London, Feb. 27.  
H. R. H. Prince Henry, while hunting in Leicester, was thrown from his horse. One of his legs was injured.—British Wireless.

## SIR PAUL CHATER'S CODICIL.

### ANOTHER APPEAL IN WILL DISPUTE.

### LAND INVESTMENT COMPANY DIRECTORSHIP.

### MR. BAGRAM'S CASE.

A further appeal arising out of the will of the late Sir Paul Chater commenced in the Full Court of Appeal this morning, concerning the appointment of Mr. J. T. Bagram as permanent managing director of the Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company Limited under the terms of the will.

The appellants were the Official Trustee of Bengal and Mr. J. T. Bagram, the respondents being the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton and the Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company Limited.

Mr. H. G. Sheldon appeared for the Official Trustee, and Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., on behalf of Mr. Bagram. The Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton was represented by Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., and Mr. F. C. Jenkin appeared for the company.

The judgment appealed from, and delivered by Mr. Justice Wood in the Court below, states:—

### Not Empowered.

"On the formation of the Company on March 2, 1889, the late Sir Paul Chater, in accordance with its Memorandum of Association, became one of the two permanent and managing directors of that company. The other permanent and managing director was the senior representative, resident for the time being in the Colony of Hongkong, of Messrs. Jardine Matheson and Company Limited, (so long as the latter carry on business and have an office in the Colony). The appointment of the deceased was personal and 'during his life.' On the date of his death, May 27, 1926, the deceased was still holding this position in the company."

"In these proceedings my concern is with the appointment which the deceased purported to make of a successor to himself in that office under the right to nominate and appoint his successor conferred upon him by the Memorandum of Association."

His Lordship found that the late Sir Paul was not empowered to make such appointment.

### Three Points.

In reply to Sir Henry Gollan, Mr. Potter said there were three points to be considered. The first was whether alternative appointments were good, secondly whether Mr. Bagram was qualified, and thirdly that in any event Mr. Bagram was not appointed.

Mr. Potter said that for the purposes of the appeal he would accept the decision of the judge that the word "power" was not really the power of appointment in the strict legal sense of the term. The appointment in question was made under the terms of the late Sir Paul's will in a codicil.

There was first of all the appointment of Mr. E. D. Sassoon on certain terms and conditions, and in the case of his non-acceptance, Sir Robert Ho Tung, and thirdly Mr. Bagram.

In order to ascertain whether such appointments were valid they had to go directly to the Memorandum of the company which gave the power of appointment. He would submit that the company itself must have considered that power of appointment one of extreme importance because they had included it in their memorandum.

"It is very doubtful," said Mr. Potter, "if any court could alter that Memorandum and take away that power, even at the request of the company."

### Emphasising The Point.

Continuing Mr. Potter said he wished to emphasise the point he was making that the company and Sir Paul thought it of such importance to include it in the Memorandum, thereby preventing any possibility of that power being taken away from Sir Paul.

It was manifest why they gave him that power. They knew he was a person who was vitally interested in the company.

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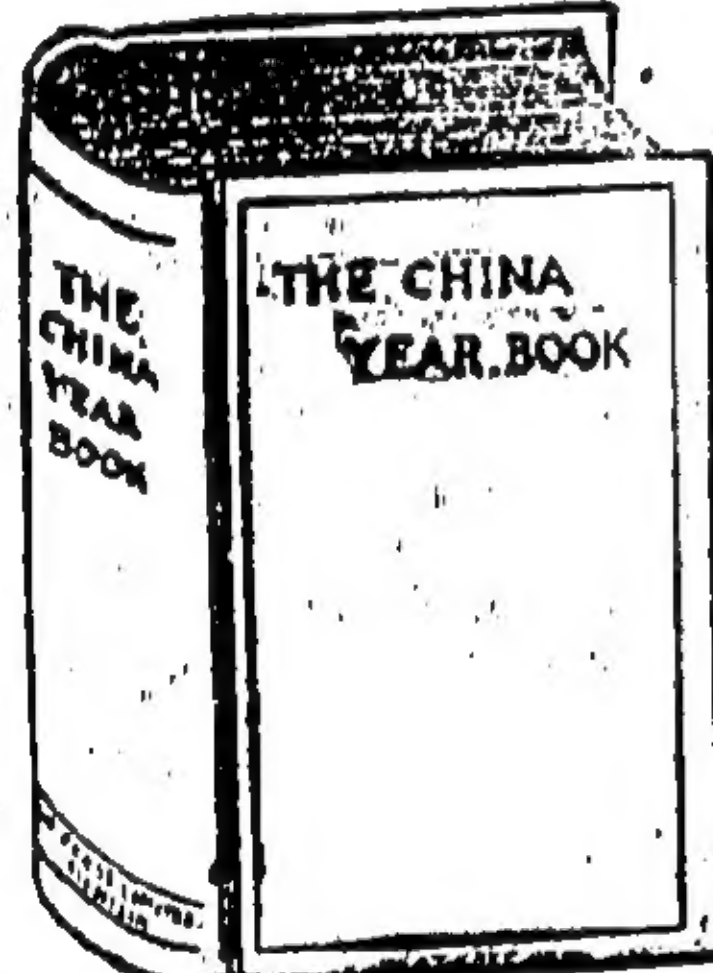
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SIR PAUL CHATER'S  
ESTATE.JUDGMENT RESERVED ON  
APPEAL.

Matters arising out of the administration of the estate of the late Sir Paul Chater formed the subject of an appeal, before a Full Court at the Supreme Court yesterday, against a judgment delivered by Mr. Justice Wood.

Three judges sat, Sir Henry Gollan (President), Sir Peter Gollan and Mr. Justice Wood. In the afternoon, Mr. Potter argued at length on the construction of the clauses in question and as to how they should be read. He said it would reduce the will to an absurdity if it was denied that stock was not to be used in its limited sense when the trustees were given an extraordinary wide power of exchanging the estate for partly paid-up shares. Once evidence was admitted to ascertain local views, and once they ascertained that the testator had invested in nothing but ordinary shares, and when they found him giving his trustees power to exchange really, which was the finest security one could have, for partly-paid shares, was it to be seriously argued that stock, in clause 20, should be considered in its very narrow sense. On that consideration of the will itself he would say that there were very strong reasons for leading their Lordships to the conclusion that clause 20 should not be considered from the very narrow viewpoint.

His submission was that if they read clause 20 in the wider sense than the stock, if it included shares, such shares must be fully paid up because they fell into the meaning of the word stock, which, in itself were fully paid up. Sir Henry Gollan remarked that in the ordinary sense it would mean that part of the residuary estate could be sold and payment received by partly paid-up shares. Mr. Potter replied he would submit that it must mean that.

Sir Henry Gollan said that for himself he would certainly not extend it to cover original investments apart from any disposal.

Remarking that they had to consider the whole will in order to ascertain the testator's intentions, Mr. Potter went on to speak of the words "ordinary stock and ordinary fully paid up shares." In law there was only one minute distinction, which was that any fractional part of stock could be sold but one could not sell less than one share. Could it be seriously said that that minute difference could have such a big effect on the court for it to be said that the executor should not buy ordinary shares?

With regard to "stock," it had acquired a secondary nature in Hongkong. That point was conceded in Mr. Justice Wood's judgment, it being stated therein that such was "common knowledge."

## Preferential Interest.

Mr. Jenkin, in briefly addressing the court, submitted that the testator had given to Mr. Bagram, under clause eight, a prior charge on the capital, and that, as the delay in the conversion of the estate into cash and a resulting appropriation of seven lakhs to Mr. Bagram was due to a desire to benefit the Church of Nazareth, then the Church should pay for that indulgence by allowing to Mr. Bagram payment of a preferential rate of interest.

Their Lordships reserved judgment.

## NON-STOP FLIGHT.

AIRSHIP TO FLY TO THE  
PANAMA CANAL.

Washington, Feb. 27. The first attempted non-stop flight by airship to the Panama Canal is being made in the Los Angeles which has left Lakeland, New Jersey, en route to Cuba, where it will be tied up to a mooring mast on the tender Patoka, prior to flying to the Canal. Reuter's American Service.

## P. I. GOVERNOR.

MR. STIMSON WELCOMED TO  
HONGKONG.

Mr. Henry L. Stimson, the newly-appointed Governor-General of the Philippines, arrived in Hongkong yesterday, on his way to Manila to take up the appointment. He is accompanied by Mrs. Stimson and their children, and by members of his staff, including General Dorey, who was the right-hand man of the late Governor-General, General Leonard Wood, and who, it is understood, is filling a similar appointment under the new Governor-General.

The President McKinley, on which Governor-General Stimson and his staff are travelling, arrived here during the early afternoon, and shortly afterwards, at 3 o'clock, the official landing took place at Queen's Pier. The drizzle that had fallen earlier in the day continued, and deprived the ceremony of much of its picturesque aspect. In consequence, there were very few spectators, but in the shelter of the pier, which was draped with bunting, the scene was animated enough. The brilliant uniforms of the military contrasting sharply with the sombre attire of members of the Legislative Council and of Government officials.

His Excellency the Governor of Hongkong, Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G., who was accompanied by his A.D.C., Captain White, arrived at the Pier a few minutes before the official time of landing, and personally greeted the Governor-General and his entourage as they landed on the steps. A salute of 17 guns was at this moment fired from the Tamar, this being replied to by U.S.S. Asheville, while the full military Band of the King's Own Scottish Borderers, under the conductorship of Bandmaster W. G. Fitz-Earle, crashed out the American national anthem.

## Inspection of Guard.

After inspecting the Guard of Honour, which was drawn up immediately in front of the landing steps under the command of Captain Abbott, with Lieutenant The Master of Napier holding the colours, the distinguished visitor was then introduced to members of the Legislative Council and Departmental Heads, amongst whom were: His Excellency Major-General C. C. Lund, C.B., C.M.G., Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, K.C., Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow, Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, C.M.G., C.B.E., (Acting Colonial Secretary), Sir Joseph Kemp, K.C., C.B.E., Hon. Mr. C. McI. Messer, (Director of Public Works), Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North (Secretary for Chinese Affairs), Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C. M. G. (Captain Superintendent of Police), Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard, Mr. E. W. Hamilton (Clerk of Councils), Mr. W. J. Carriel (Head of the Sanitary Department), Comdr. G. F. Helle (Harbour Master), Mr. T. F. Claxton (Director of the Observatory), Mr. J. W. Franks (Superintendent of Victoria Gaol), Mr. A. E. Wood (Director of Education), Mr. R. Baker (Manager of the Kowloon-Canton Railway), and others.

Mr. R. C. Tredwell, the Consul-General for the United States in Hongkong, Consuls H. Shanks and J. Muccio, and Vice-Consul K. Krentz were also amongst those gathered at the Pier to welcome the Governor-General.

Others present were Captain A. R. Palmer (representing His Excellency Vice-Admiral Sir Reginald Tyrwhitt (Commander-in-Chief of the China Squadron), Commodore C. Pearson, Col. Russell-Brown, C.B., Group Commander G.D.A. Robertson and Squadron Leader P. J. Farmer of the R. A. F.

## Governor-General's Staff.

Members of Governor-General Stimson's entourage included General Dorey, military adviser, Col.

EXCHANGE OF  
PULPITS.NOTABLE EVENT IN  
HONGKONG.

A notable event in Hongkong's Christian history occurred on Sunday when the Ministers of Union Church, Hongkong, and St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, exchanged pulpits. Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald preached at St. Andrew's and Rev. W. W. Rogers at Union Church.

This was the first time an exchange of pulpits had taken place in Hongkong between an Episcopal and non-Episcopal Church. There was no special occasion observed: it was merely a friendly and spontaneous reciprocity.

## DANCING DISPLAY.

MISS VIOLET CAPELL AND  
HER PUPILS.

There was again an excellent audience at the Queen's Theatre last evening when the sixth annual dancing display by Miss Violet Capell and her pupils, first given last Wednesday, was repeated. Miss Capell is so well known locally for her dancing and also for the perfection which her pupils rapidly attain that her annual display has come to be looked upon as the most important event of its kind, audiences being assured of a thoroughly delightful performance.

When first given last week the display was acknowledged to be the most outstanding of all her achievements. The variety of the programme alone was one feature, but more outstanding was the grace and cleverness of the little dancers taking part.

There is little to add to the critiques which have already appeared. The solo items and ensembles are uniformly good and while it is difficult to single out individual dancers for special praise, the work of Miss Rachael Wong and Miss Helen Ho is worthy of special commendation. But all those taking part, even down to the tiny tots, dance with a grace and charm which speaks volumes for the careful training they have received from Miss Capell.

The ensembles are notable for the colour schemes but all the costumes do justice to the talented little performers. The display will be repeated at the Star Theatre on Wednesday at 9.15 p.m. and another excellent audience is assured. Part proceeds of the display are to be devoted to the London Hospital.

Winshop, Military A.D.C., Captain James, U.S.N., Naval A.D.C., and Lt. Grant (a son-in-law of General Dorey). With the exception of Captain James, U.S.N., who arrived from Manila to meet Mr. Stimson, all these officials travelled with the Governor-General from the United States.

General Dorey is accompanied by Mrs. Dorey and Miss Dorey who, with Mrs. Stimson and children, landed later from the President McKinley.

Present at the Pier were also Senator Romualdez, a former Mayor of Manila, who with Mrs. Romualdez, has just returned from a visit to Washington and broke off his journey here to meet the new Governor-General. Three newspapermen sent up specially from Manila to "cover" the visit, were present at the landing, together with Mr. R. Basu, Dr. V. N. Atienza and Mr. L. R. Ildfonso, (representing the local Filipino community).

The party, with His Excellency Sir Cecil Clementi, then proceeded to Government House, where an informal reception was held last night, which was attended by practically all the members of the American community.

## LOCAL WEDDING.

YESTERDAY'S CATHEDRAL  
CEREMONY.

A pretty wedding was solemnised at St. John's Cathedral yesterday afternoon, when Miss Gladys May Robinson, daughter of the late Mr. Edward Robinson, barrister-at-law of Hongkong and of Mrs. A. E. Black of Shanghai, became the bride of Mr. David Henry Perry, the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Perry of Bedford.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. H. V. Keop.

The bride who was attired in pale blue velvet, with hat to match, and carried a sheaf of arum lilies, was given away by Mr. L. A. Cossart, whose wife was the Matron of Honour. The bride was attended by Miss Constance Stonham, who was dressed in April crope de chine with hat of crape straw. Her bouquet consisted of sweet peas. Mrs. Cossart wore a dress of rust coloured crope de chine with beige hat and carried a bouquet of pink roses.

Mr. R. M. Jack was best man.

Both before the ceremony and when the happy couple were leaving the Cathedral, Mr. Mason, the organist, played appropriate wedding music.

Following the service, the guests assembled at the Hongkong Hotel, where the reception was held, Mr. and Mrs. Perry leaving later for Panning for their honeymoon.

## PUBLIC HEALTH.

CAMPAIGN FOR HONGKONG  
ADULTS.

A health campaign for adults is being arranged by the Chinese Y.M.C.A. and Y.W.C.A. in co-operation with the Medical Association for the week March 3-10. The opening session will take place on Saturday evening, March 3, at 7 o'clock at the Y.M.C.A. building. Dr. S. W. Tso, and Prof. Anderson of Hongkong University will speak. Moving pictures will be shown.

On each of the following nights, the programme will be in charge of members of the Medical Association. Lectures will be given on subjects of vital interest, relating to personal and home hygiene and public health.

Physical examinations for men have been arranged for each evening from March 5 to 9, from 7.30 p.m. Members of the Medical Association will have charge of these examinations. Women physicians will be in charge of the examinations for women, which will take place on the afternoons of March 5, 7 and 8 from 2.30 to 4 p.m.

Free vaccination will be given to all who desire it, by members of the Medical Association and St. John Ambulance Brigade, on March 7 and 10 from 2.30 to 7.30, and on March 8 and 9 from 5 to 7.30 p.m.

The exhibit will be open to the public each day from 2.30 to 7.30 p.m.

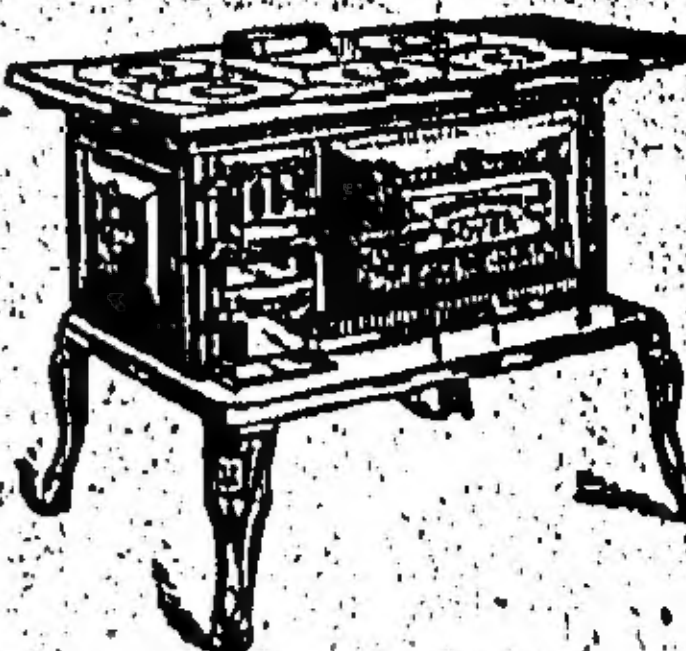
## PROPERTY SALE.

CROWN LAND SOLD AT P.W.D.  
OFFICE.

At the offices of the Public Works Department yesterday, a new Kowloon inland lot situated at the junction of Cheung Sha Wan Road and Nam Cheung Street, Shamshulpo, was sold by public auction to Mr. Fan Sik-man for \$3,880.50.

The property, which is known as New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1,123, has an area of 2,587 square feet. The lot was put up at \$3,880.50 and on there being no further bids was knocked down to Mr. Fan Sik-man of No. 34, Main Street, Shaukiwan.

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ATTENTION TO BUSINESS AN' NOT WEAR  
OUR HEARTS ON OUR SLEEVES!



JUST LOOK AT THE WAY  
SAM'S WAITIN' ON THAT  
LADY! YOU'D THINK HE  
AN' KING GEORGE WERE  
PALS!



SAY, SAM, JUST WHAT  
WAS THE IDEA OF  
ACTIN' SO HAUGHTY  
T' THAT  
CUSTOMER?



GOSH, GUZZ,  
WHEN YA  
WERE SPEAKIN'  
ABOUT ALBERT  
DIDN'T YA  
SAY—



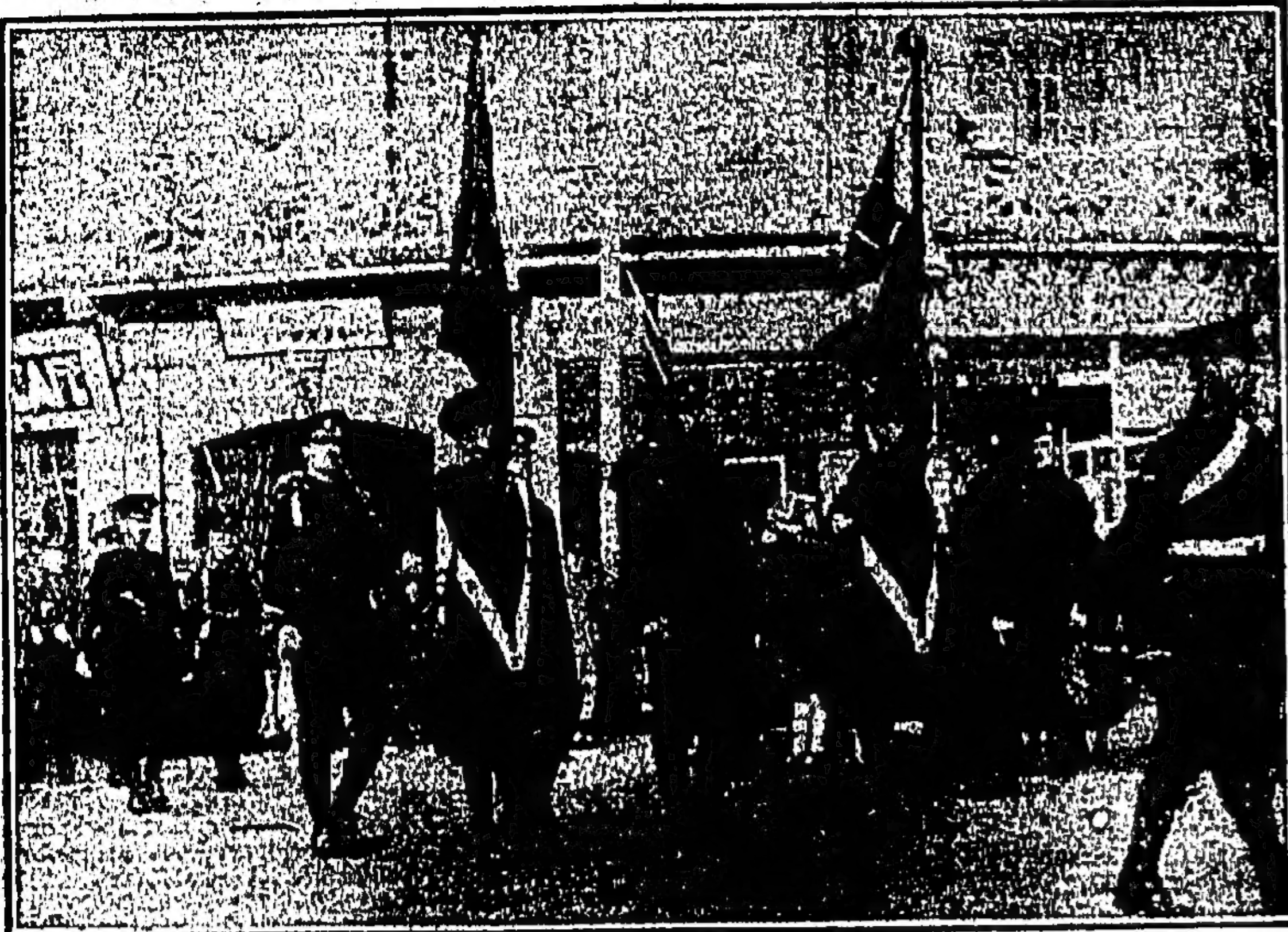
WE HAD TA  
KEEP OUR  
HEADS UP?



## He Probably Did

## By Small

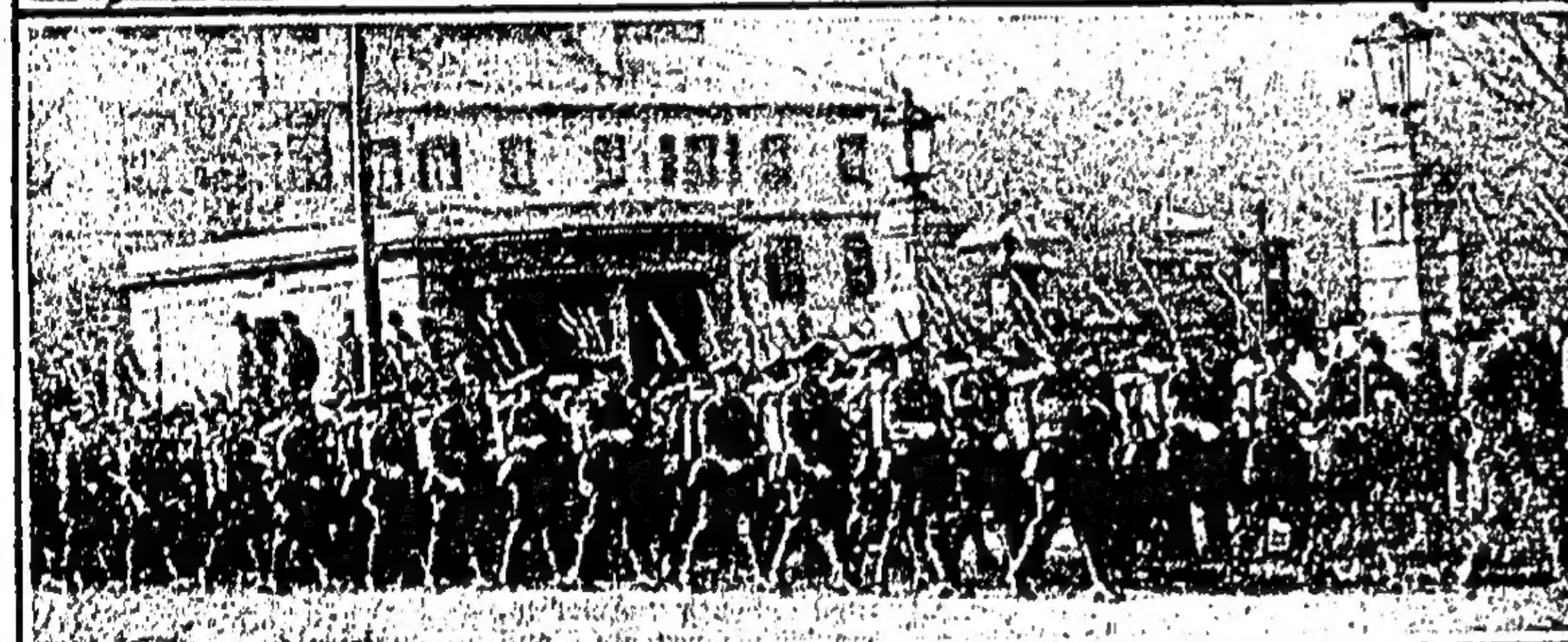
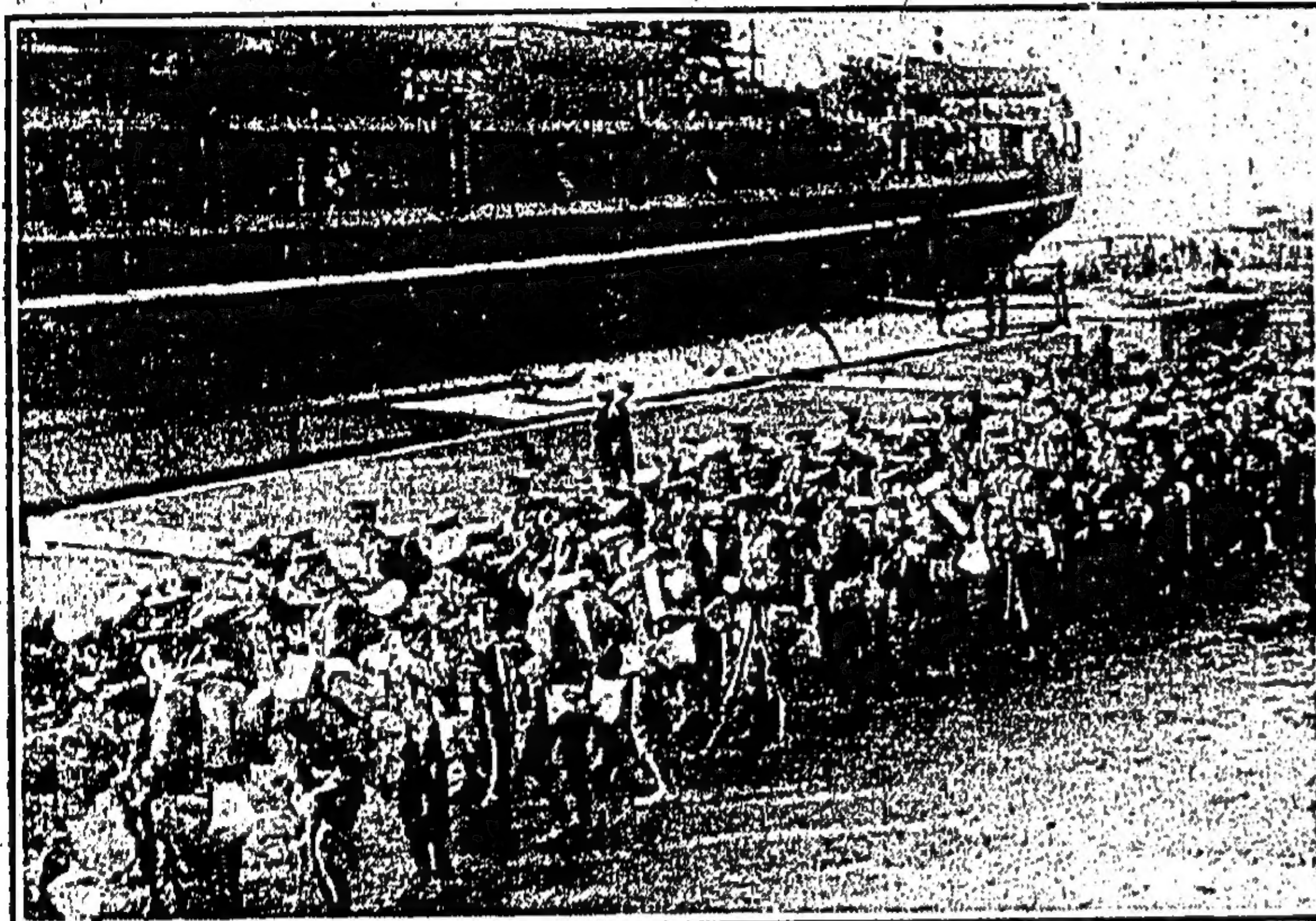




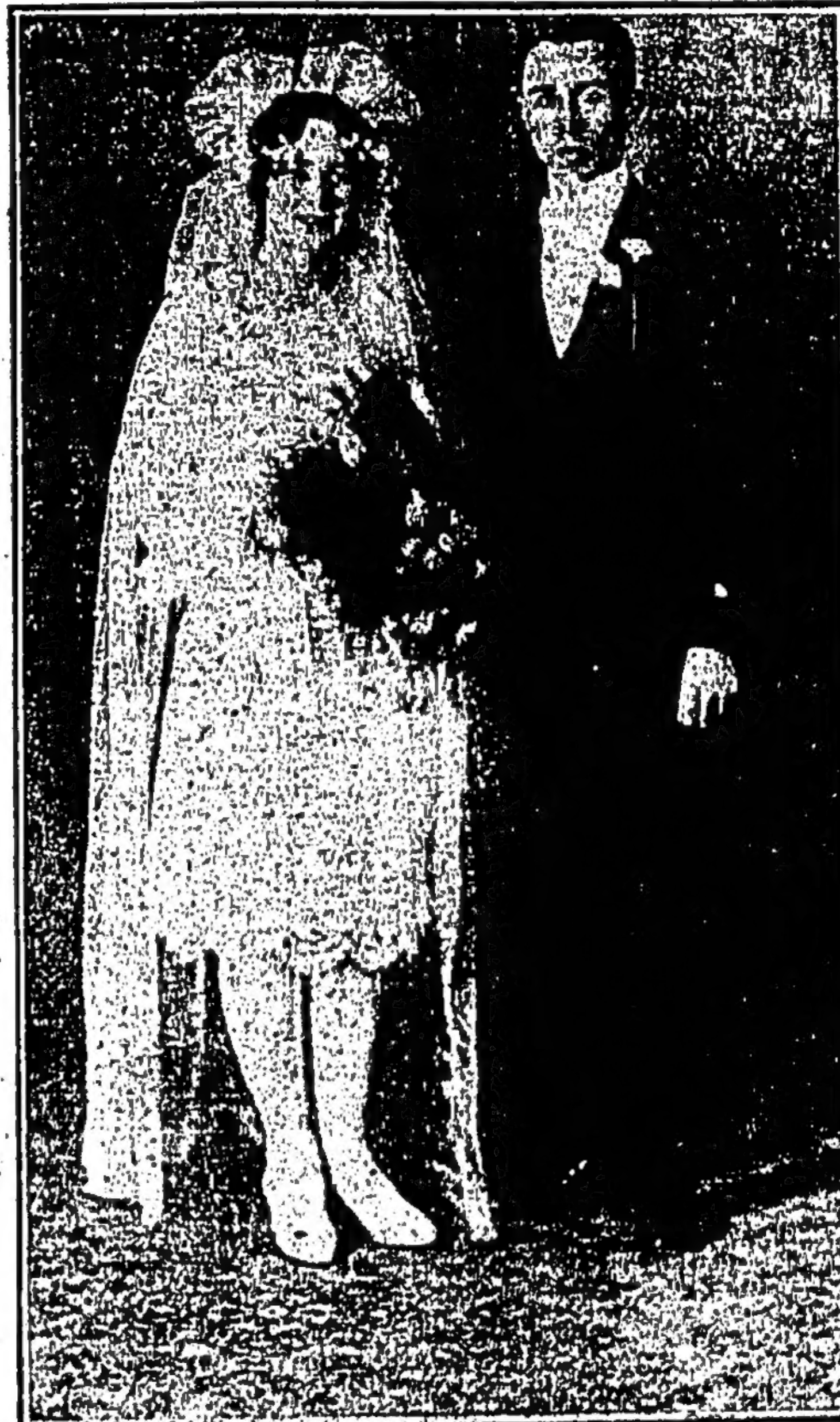
The colours of the 2nd Batt. Coldstream Guards being borne down Nanking Road, Shanghai, on the march to the transport Assaye recently.



Shanghai paid a remarkable farewell tribute to the 2nd Batt. Coldstream Guards, who sailed for Home last week after spending nearly a year in the Northern port. In the above picture, Col. Lawrence is seen leading his men down Nanking Road.



These pictures show (top) the men of the Coldstreams marching into the dock at Shanghai (below) marching past the British Consulate-General.



Mr. I. Borozonsky and his bride, Miss O. S. Kaffa, whose wedding was celebrated at the Russian Orthodox Church Shanghai recently.



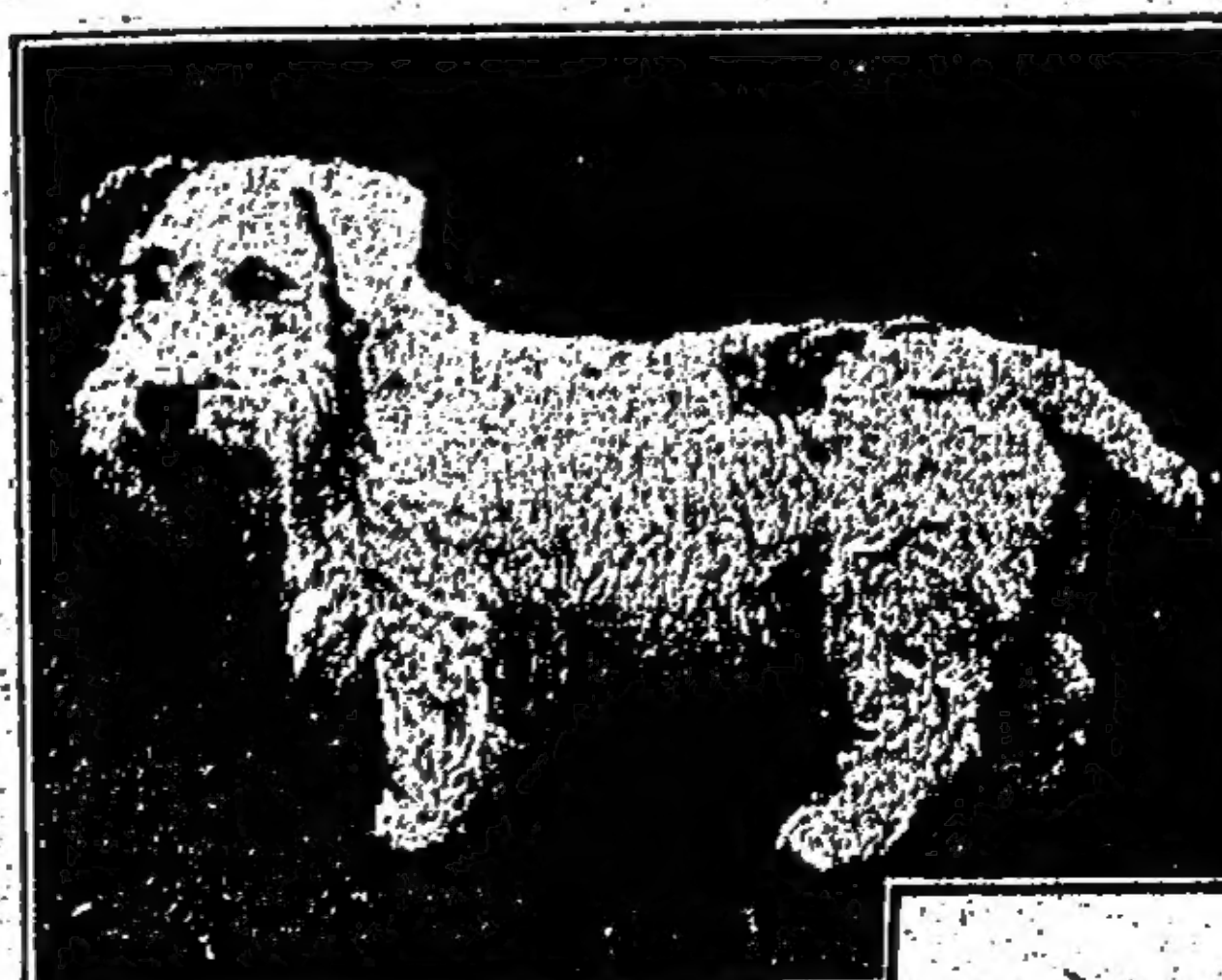
"Veronique" being played by the Shanghai A. D. C. The picture shows Mme. Liss Spunt as Agatha and Mr. D. J. Donne as Coqueland.



Two of the "war" banners seen along the line of march when Coldstream Guards left Shanghai recently for England after seeing service there for almost a year.



Mr. Stanley Baldwin and Lord Birkenhead with the Indian Commission before their departure from Victoria Station. Left to right: Mr. Edward Cadogan, M. P., Colonel Lane-Fox, M. P., Mr. Vernon Hartshorn, M. P., Lord Burnham, Sir John Simon, M. P., Lady Simon, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, Lord Strathcona, Mr. Attlee, M. P., and Lord Birkenhead. (Times copyright).



Picture shows Dr. A. Ireland's Sealyham, Birkdale Braggart, winner of no fewer than eight first prizes at the National Terrier Club's Show at Crystal Palace recently. (Times copyright).

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APARTMENTS TO LET.—Glencairn Hotel No. 3, Glencairn, near centre, new management. To let, rooms with bathroom attached, excellent cuisine, moderate rate. Apply to Mrs. Vesser. Telephone 980.

### FANLING HUNT.

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SATURDAY, 3rd March, 1928.  
First Race 3 p.m.  
ADMISSION Public Enclosure \$1.00  
Ladies Free.  
Admission to Subscribers Enclosure on production of badge only.

Subscribers can introduce Two Ladies Free and Two Non-members at \$5.00 each.  
Tickets obtainable from Dr. F. Pierce Grove, Alexandra Buildings, Special Trains leave Kowloon 2.00 p.m. Return from Fanling 6.00 p.m. Return Fare 1st Class \$1.50. 2nd Class 90 cents.

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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

### G. H. R. HONGKONG TECHNICAL INSTITUTE.

The Institute will re-open on Thursday, March 1st. Students joining Classes held at Queen's College will be enrolled at the Education Department only; those joining Classes held at the Central British School, Kowloon, will be enrolled at that School.  
Entry Forms may be obtained at the Education Department or the Central British School.

### THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.

#### NOTICE.

If the Marine Boiler left on Kowloon Marine Lot No. 49 by See To Ming is not claimed and removed within fourteen (14) days, same will be sold to defray expenses.

F. H. CRAPPELL, Secretary.  
Hongkong, 24th February, 1928.

### HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

The Final Dividend declared for the Year ending 31st December, 1927, at the rate of Three Pounds Sterling together with a Bonus of Two Pounds Sterling is payable on and after the 27th February, 1928, at the Offices of the Corporation where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By Order of the Court of Directors,  
A. C. HYNES, Chief Manager.  
Hongkong, 25th Feb. 1928.

#### NOTICE.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.  
NOTICE is hereby given that ANDREW HARPER & SON have ceased to be the authorized dealers of this Company for Hongkong and South China as from the 26th day of January, 1928.

FORD MOTOR CO.

#### NOTICE.

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NOTICE is hereby given that WALLACE HARPER & CO., LTD., have been appointed our authorized dealers for Hongkong and South China as from the 1st day of February, 1928.

FORD MOTOR CO.

### WAR DEPARTMENT CONTRACTS.

Sealed Tenders will be received at the office of the O.C., R.A.S.C., Headquarters, Victoria Barracks, Hongkong until 12 noon on the dates stated for the undermentioned services for the periods as stated:—

For One Year commencing 1st April 1928:—  
Barrack Services  
9th March, 1928.  
For Three Months commencing 1st April, 1928:—  
General Supplies "A" (Potatoes), Onions and Mustard.  
13th March, 1928.

Tender forms and any necessary information may be obtained at the above office between the hours of 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. daily, except Sundays.

### HONG KONG CRICKET CLUB

#### TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

Competitors are requested to consult the notices posted in the Pavilion as to the dates on which their matches are to be played.

### THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.

#### NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTY-FIRST ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Wednesday, the 29th February, 1928, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended December 31st, 1927.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, the 17th February, 1928, to Wednesday, the 29th February, 1928, BOTH DAYS INCLUSIVE. By order of the Board of Directors,  
F. H. CRAPPELL, Secretary.  
Hongkong, 18th Feb. 1928.

## PUBLIC AUCTION

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For further particulars apply to:—  
Messrs. WILKINSON & GRIST, Vendors' Solicitors, or to  
Messrs. HUGHES & HOUGH, Ltd., Auctioneers, 8, Des Voeux Rd. Central, Victoria, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 21st January, 1928.

## CHINA AUCTION ROOMS.

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If you have anything you would like to sell, exchange or advertise send it to the CHINA AUCTION ROOM.

E. V. M. R. de SOUSA.

### COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

The undersigned, going home on leave, begs to inform that Mr. LESDOS has been appointed local Agent of the Compagnie des Messageries Maritimes, with effect from the 25th instant.

(Sgd) J. LIMAGE, Agent.

### THE DAIRY FARM ICE & COLD STORAGE CO., LIMITED.

#### NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

Notice is hereby given that the THIRTY-SECOND Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in the above Company will be held at the Company's Town Office, 2 Lower Albert Road, on SATURDAY, 10th MARCH, 1928, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending December 1927, declaring a Dividend and re-electing Directors and Auditors.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from the 1st to 10th March, 1928, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
M. MANUK, Secretary.  
Hongkong, 23rd February, 1928.

### THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Thirty-Ninth Ordinary General Meeting will be held at the Company's Offices, P. and O. Building, on Friday, 16th March, 1928, at 12 noon, for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1927, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 3rd March, 1928 to 16th March, 1928, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

GIBB, LIVINGSTON AND CO., LTD., Agents.  
Hongkong, 24th, Feb., 1928.

## LAMMERT'S AUCTIONS

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

#### TO-DAY

the 28th February, 1928, commencing at 2.45 p.m., at No. 25, Humphreys Building, Hanol Road, Kowloon

A Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture. (Particulars from Catalogue). On view from Monday, the 27th February, 1928. Terms—Cash on Delivery. LAMMERT BROS., Auctioneers.

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

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#### on WEDNESDAY,

the 29th February, 1928, commencing at 10 a.m., at their Sales Room, Duddell Street.

A Large Quantity of Provisions. Wines and Miscellaneous Goods (to be sold in small lots to suit purchasers).

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50 Brass Hanging Lamps with Glass Chimneys and Shades.  
4 Cases Clocks.  
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4 Rolls Diamond-Shape Wire Netting (50ft. x 4ft.).  
1 Bag Bolts and Nuts.  
1 Case Hymn Books.  
2 Cases Crown Corks.  
1 Case Crown Cork Re-sealers.  
2 Packages Personal Effects.  
1 Case "Syd" Glass Holders.  
3 Cases Flavouring Essences.  
1 Case Canned Sardines.  
2 Cases Cigarette Boxes.

Terms—Cash on Delivery. LAMMERT BROS., Auctioneers.  
Hongkong, Feb. 24, 1928.

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

#### On FRIDAY,

the 2nd March, 1928, commencing at 11 a.m., at Godown No. 3 Upper, The Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., West Point. A Quantity of Miscellaneous Goods.

comprising:—  
Iron Spikes, Straw Braid, Socks, Paper, Medicine, Iron Bars, China Ware, Tea Mats, etc.

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### PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

#### On MONDAY,

the 5th March, 1928, commencing at 6.15 p.m., at their Sales Room, Duddell Street.

At Valuable Collection of Postage Stamps, including:—  
Old China, Shanghai, and Hongkong, etc.

On View from Saturday, the 3rd March, 1928. Catalogues will be issued. Terms—Cash on Delivery. LAMMERT BROS., Auctioneers.

### "EDMORE" INCIDENT.

#### U. S. SHIPPING BOARD PAYS INDEMNITY.

Amoy, Feb. 23.  
The Edmore incident which threatened a boycott of American goods in this port was settled to-day.

The Chinese accepted \$5,500 indemnity from the United States Shipping Board, and claims against the vessel were dropped, after which the freighter sailed for Hongkong.

The threatened boycott grew out of the accidental killing of a Chinese boatman by F. R. Willard, chief officer of the Edmore, when the latter fired upon a native who was stealing flour from the ship. The thief was wounded. Local labour unions demanded an apology from the American Consul, punishment for the man killed and the one wounded.—Associated Press.

Bombay, Jan. 27.—A protracted case of alleged defamation was concluded to-day when the Presidency Magistrate acquitted the well-known pleader and member of the Legislature, Mr. K. F. Nariman, on a charge of libelling Mr. T. Harvey, Superintendent Engineer of the Bombay Development Department, in charge of the Back Bay Reclamation works.

## SHARE PRICES.

### TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.  
Hongkong Bank, \$1210 n.  
Chartered Bank, \$214 b.  
Mercantile A. & B., \$324 n.  
P. and O. \$10 n.  
East Asia, \$674 b.

Insurance.  
Canton Ins., \$635 b.  
Union Ins., \$321 b.  
North China Ins., Tls. 143 n.  
Yangtze Ins., \$461 b.  
China Underwriters, \$24 n.  
China Firs, \$215 n.  
H. K. Fire Ins., \$690 b.

Shipping.  
Douglases, \$43 b.  
H. K. Steamboats, \$27 b.  
H. K. Tugs, \$230 s.  
Indo-China, (Prof.) \$364 b.  
Shell Trans., \$7/ n.  
Union Waterboats, \$20 b.

Mining.  
Bonguats, \$24 s.  
Kailans, 66/- b.  
Langkats, Tls. \$181 s.  
S'hai Exploration, Tls. 2.85 n.  
Raubs, \$44 b.  
Tronohs, 17/6 b.

Docks, etc.  
Kowloon Wharves, \$1324 b.  
Whampoa Docks, \$481 s.  
China Providents \$6 sa.  
Hongkows, Tls. 165 b.  
New Engineerings, Tls. 5 s.  
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 97 b.

Cottons.  
Ewo Cottons, Tls. \$7.65 b.  
Oriental, Tls. 2 b.  
S'hai Cottons, Tls. 48 (old) b.  
Lands, Hotels, etc.

H. and S. Hotels, \$8.70 sa.  
H. K. Lands, \$644 sa.  
S'hai Lands Tls. \$137 b.  
Humphreys, \$144 b.  
Realities, \$8.90 b.  
Territorials, \$14 n.

### Public Utilities.

Tramways, \$25.10 X. Div sa.  
Peak Tram, (old) \$14 n.  
Star Ferries, \$634 n.  
China Lights, (Comb.) \$10.20 b.  
H'kong Electric, \$72 b.  
Macao Electric, \$21 b.  
Telephones \$4.25 b.  
China Buses, Tls. 64 n.  
Singapore Traction, 11/9 b.

Industrials.  
China Sugars, \$10.40 n.  
Malabons, \$274 n.  
Canton Ice, \$4 b.  
Cements (Comb.) \$11.60 n.  
Ropes (Old) \$94 sa.  
United Asbestos \$10 sa.

### Stores &c.

Dairy Farms, \$20 b.  
Watsons, \$12.40 b.  
Der A. Wing, \$5 s.  
Lane Crawfords, \$3.35 sa.  
Macintosh, \$22 s.  
Sincors, \$9 b.  
Wm. Powells, \$5 n.

### Miscellaneous.

Amusements, \$294 b.  
Constructions, \$14 n.  
B'que Ind. G. Bonds, 60% p.  
H. K. G. Loan, 5% Pror.

## LETTER GOLF.

From LAND to JAIL the way is short, and to land there, all you have to do is break the law.

L	A	N	D
J	A	I	L

1.—The idea of letter golf is to change one word to another and to it in par, a given number of strokes. Thus to change COW TO HEN, in three strokes, COW, HOW, HEN.  
2.—You can change only one letter at a time.  
3.—You must have a complete word, of common usage, for each jump. Slang words and abbreviations don't count.  
4.—The order of letters cannot be changed.  
One solution is printed on another page of this issue.

Charles Jackson Palmer, medical electrician, was found guilty by an Old Bailey jury of the manslaughter of Mrs. Elsie Alice Goldsmith, who died under treatment in his establishment at Upper Brook-street, Mayfair.

## POST OFFICE NOTICE

### RADIO NOTICE.

RADIO TELEGRAPH SERVICES are now in operation as follows:—  
Ships at Sea, Europe, American Continents, Hawaiian Islands, Dutch East Indies, Dutch Borneo, Philippine Islands, French Indo-China, Province of Yunnan, British North Borneo, Siam, Canton, Swatow, Kwongchow, Fort Bayard, Tchekam, Holhow, Amoy, and Foochow, etc.

It is notified for information that the via Wireless rate to EUROPE has been reduced from \$2.05 to \$1.70 per word from 7th inst.

Rates and further particulars on application to the RADIO COUNTER, 1st Floor, Government Building.

Telegraphic Addresses—Persons and firms having correspondents in the places named above should in order to avoid delay to telegrams received by radio register their telegraphic address immediately.

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 6 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 6 p.m. on the previous day.

Dutiable articles forwarded by letter post to Great Britain are liable to confiscation by the Customs. Such articles should be forwarded by parcel post only.

Letters and postcards for Europe and the British Isles are forwarded via Siberia if so superscribed.

### INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Date
Europe via Negapatnam, Papers only	Noreiken	February 23.
London 29th January	Tanda	February 29.
Japan	Takliwa	February 29.
Straits	Yunnan	February 29.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Sochow	February 29.
Shanghai and Swatow	Nanning	February 29.
Shanghai and Amoy	Porihos	March 1.
Saigon		
Europe via Suez, letters and papers, London 2nd February and parcels		
28th January		
Mongolia		March 1.
Suwa Maru		March 4.
Empress of Russia		March 5.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai	Empress of Asia	March 15.

### OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date
Manila	Pres. McKinley	Feb. 23, 4.30 p.m.
Sam Shui and Wuchow	Kong Ning	Tues, Feb. 23, 4.30 p.m.
Amoy	Klungchow	Tues, Feb. 23, 5 p.m.
Holhow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Takliwa	Wed, Feb. 23, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Menado Maru	Wed, Feb. 23, 8.30 a.m.
Straits	Yuenang	Wed, Feb. 23, 10.30 a.m.
Java via Batavia	Tjileboet	Wed, Feb. 23, 2.30 p.m.
Japan	Nagano Maru	Wed, Feb. 23, 3.30 p.m.
Manila	Edmore	Wed, Feb. 23, 4.30 p.m.
Saigon	Van Heutsz	Thurs, Mar. 1, 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia	Porihos	Thurs, Mar. 1, 3.30 p.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea	Thurs, Mar. 1, 2.30 p.m.
Straits and South Africa	Panama Maru	Fri, Mar. 2, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiching	Fri, Mar. 2, 2 p.m.
Manila, Sandakan, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	Tanda	Fri, Mar. 2, 2 p.m.
	Parcels	Noon.
	Registration	1.45 p.m.
	Letters	2.30 p.m.
	(Due Thursday 17th March).	
	Sunning	Fri, Mar. 2, 5 p.m.

Shanghai, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles

Parcels ..... Mar. 2, 4.30 p.m.  
Registration ..... Mar. 3, 9 a.m.  
Letters ..... Mar. 3, 10 a.m.  
G.P.O.  
Parcels ..... Mar. 2, 5 p.m.  
Registration ..... Mar. 3, 10.30 a.m.  
Letters ..... Mar. 3, 10.30 a.m.  
(Due Marseilles 30th March).

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H'kong Electric, \$72 b.  
Macao Electric, \$21 b.  
Telephones \$4.25 b.  
China Buses, Tls. 64 n.  
Singapore Traction, 11/9 b.

Antung ..... Sat, Mar. 3, 5 p.m.  
Kaio Maru ..... Sun, Mar. 4, 9 a.m.  
Nanning ..... Sun, Mar. 4, 9 a.m.  
Kwangchow ..... Sun, Mar. 4, 9 a.m.  
Suwa Maru Mon, Mar. 5, 10.30 a.m.

Glauco ..... Tues, Mar. 6.  
Registration ..... 1 p.m.  
Letters ..... 1 p.m.  
G.P.O.  
Registration ..... 1.45 p.m.  
Letter ..... 2.30 p.m.  
(Due Marseilles 6th April).

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow  
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A.



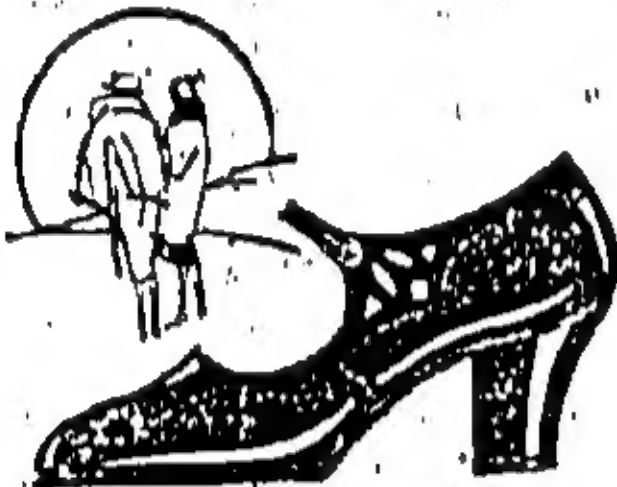
## RECORDS.

## THE SEASON'S HITS

- 4680 {Forgive Me  
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- 4696 {Red Lips Kiss My Blues  
Hello Cello
- 4711 {Charmaine  
C'est Vous
- 4659 {Hallelujah  
Gonna Get a Girl
- 4715 {Me and My Shadow  
In a Street
- 4645 {Alas, Sweet  
Dreaming of Brown Eyes
- 4761 {Here am I Broken-hearted  
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## ASTOR HOUSE HOTEL.

PROPOSED SALE DENIED  
IN SHANGHAI.

Persistent rumours that the  
Astor House Hotel, Shanghai,  
operated by the Hongkong and  
Shanghai Hotels, Ltd., had been  
sold or was about to be sold to a  
group of Japanese capitalists,  
were last week definitely dis-  
missed by Mr. R. Weeding Skinner,  
Shanghai Manager for the Com-  
pany.

A representative of the *Shanghai*  
*Times* learned that:

- 1.—The Astor House Hotel has  
not been sold.
- 2.—There are no negotiations  
pending for the sale of the hotel.
- 3.—The Astor House Hotel has  
not been placed on the market.

"The rumour crops up regularly  
regarding the sale of the Astor  
House Hotel," Mr. Skinner stated.  
"There is not a grain of truth in  
the report."

In connexion with the Astor  
House Hotel rumours a very  
strong one had it that a group of  
Japanese business men had pur-  
chased the place and planned to  
convert it into an office building.

## MISS CHEE FOY.

NOVELTY TURN AT THE  
QUEEN'S.

Daughter of the famous magi-  
cian Chung Ling-foo, Miss Chee  
Foy, who will appear at all per-  
formances in the Queen's Theatre  
to-day and to-morrow to sing  
popular English and Chinese  
songs, is a star in her own right,  
for besides having presented  
"turns" in some of the biggest  
variety halls in London and New  
York, she has more than once  
"topped the bill" at the Ziegfeld  
Follies.

The chief item in the movie pro-  
gramme to-day and to-morrow is  
"The Side Show of Life," an ab-  
sorbing story adapted from W. J.  
Locke's remarkable story, "The  
Mountebank," with Ernest Tor-  
rence and Anna Q. Nilsson as  
leading players. The story deals  
with the career of an Englishman  
who has been with a French cir-  
cus ever since he ran away from  
home. The fact that his hobby  
has been war history and war  
theory stands him in good stead  
when hostilities break out in 1914.  
His promotion is rapid and the  
armistice finds him holding the  
rank of brigadier-general. During  
the war he has fallen in love with  
the daughter of a noble family,  
thus arousing the jealousy of his  
circus partner. When the war is  
over, the brigadier-general is  
"demobbed." There is nothing  
for it but to return to the circus.  
This he does with results that pro-  
vide a dramatic climax to a power-  
ful story. Not the least charming  
feature of "The Show of Life" is  
the fact that the story has a Brit-  
ish hero and many of the settings  
are English.

## "FASCINATING YOUTH."

## NEW FILM AT THE STAR.

Something new in pictures is  
offered by the chief picture at the  
Star Theatre to-day and to-morrow,  
"Fascinating Youth," a comedy  
which is the result of the  
Paramount Picture School's first  
term of work. The principal roles  
are all enacted by students of the  
cinema school which was organis-  
ed some months ago, in an endeav-  
our to introduce a new group of  
faces to movie-goers. The six-  
teen young men and women seen  
in "Fascinating Youth" were  
selected and taken from every  
walk of life. Some were artists'  
models, others, college students,  
still another, a teacher, one, a  
newspaper reporter, and so on.  
Full of action, "Fascinating  
Youth" is therefore a pleasant  
film as well as an interesting ex-  
periment.

## "THE GREAT LOVE."

AN ELEPHANT'S FUNNY  
PRANKS.

Showing at the World Theatre  
to-day and to-morrow is "The  
Great Love," a comedy written and  
directed by Marshall Weiland. The  
story deals with a sentimental  
elephant who falls in love with the  
doctor who has cured her of an  
illness. The elephant causes all  
sorts of amusing and exciting in-  
cidents when she follows the  
doctor around the town wrecking a  
village in her desire to be with  
him. The leading parts are played  
by Viola Dana and Robert  
Agnew, with Malcolm Waite as the  
villain. "The Great Love" is be-  
ing screened at 5.15 and 9.20 p.m.;  
only, the picture at 2.30 and 7.15  
p.m. being the Chinese drama,  
"The Romance of a Star."

Sir Francis Lacey announced at  
the Hants County cricket meeting  
that Hampshire was in need of  
young players, and if the home  
supply failed the executive might  
have to look for them outside the  
country.

## WOMAN'S WORLD

FOR OUR LADY READERS.

## Boom in Stockings.

## WHAT WOMEN PREFER.

The modern woman wears three  
times as many stockings as her  
sister of pre-war days. This was  
the opinion expressed to a Press  
Association representative recent-  
ly by people in the wholesale and  
retail stocking trade.

They attributed the increase to  
short skirts, the introduction of  
light-coloured stockings, and the  
fact that silk and artificial silk  
stockings are more fragile than  
the woolen stockings of pre-war  
days.

Mr. Comyns Carr, giving evi-  
dence before the Board of Trade  
Committee considering the appli-  
cation for the imposition of a duty  
on imported hosiery and knitted  
wear of cotton and wool, said in  
1912 the people of England used  
15 million pairs of stockings and  
socks. In 1924 they used 22½  
million pairs. Making allowance  
for the increase in population,  
that means four pairs per head in  
1912 and six pairs per head in  
1924.

Referring to these figures, the  
hosiery buyer of the large Lon-  
don firm said:—In pre-war days  
women wore long skirts which  
covered their legs down to their  
ankles. The result was that very  
little attention was paid to what  
their stockings looked like. Stock-  
ings were made of black wool,  
and it did not matter in the least  
if holes were in the legs. They  
could be darned over and over  
again without anyone being any  
wiser.

Not only that; being made of  
wool and wool cashmere, they  
were considerably longer than the  
flimsy silk of which stockings are  
made to-day.

What Working Girls Wear.

"There is a third reason. They  
did not get dirty and splashed  
with mud as they do to-day, and,  
therefore, were not washed near-  
ly so often. This may not sound  
very hygienic, but there is no  
doubt that women did not wash  
their stockings nearly as often as  
they do to-day.

As to the actual number of pairs  
of stockings bought by women in  
a year, one buyer put it at from  
12 to 18, and another at 12 to 24.  
Of course, said one, among the  
well-to-do classes the woman  
thinks nothing of buying from six  
to 12 pairs of stockings a month.  
Even working girls often prefer  
to buy two pairs of cheap stock-  
ings rather than more expensive  
ones, to save the trouble of darn-  
ing them. They just wear them  
till they go into holes; then throw  
them away.

Men, it appears, are much more  
economical than women. Many  
men manage on from eight to 12  
pairs of socks a year, said  
the buyer of a large firm  
of men's outfitters. In addi-  
tion, the average man has two  
pairs of evening socks, if he's  
lucky.

Making these inquiries about  
men's socks, the Press Associa-  
tion representative found that few  
men seemed to have any idea as to  
how many pairs of socks they  
bought in a year, or how much  
they paid for them.

## Electric Waver.

The electric hair waver is so  
great an improvement upon the  
old style waver which one heated  
up over the gas ring that no wo-  
man who is shingled can afford to  
be without one to turn up those  
obstinate ends. The newest elec-

## Film Production.

WELL-KNOWN HOSTESS  
ENTERS FILM WORLD.

Considerable interest has been  
aroused by the news that Mrs.  
Wilfrid Ashley, wife of Colonel  
Wilfrid Ashley, Minister of Trans-  
port, has joined a British film-  
producing concern as adviser on  
etiquette, dress, interior decora-  
tion, and general "detail."

Even as foreign films have been  
criticised in the past for inaccura-  
cies and inelegancies, English  
films, too, have erred from time  
to time in the same way.

## Teapot Hints.

Teapots, whether plain or orna-  
mental, need more care than they  
generally get.

In every case, they should be  
rinsed out with boiling water, at  
once after use, and if they have  
to be put away for any time, one  
or two lumps of sugar should be  
dropped inside, and the lid left  
ajar to let in a current of air.  
This prevents their acquiring a  
musty flavour, which is sure to  
taste the next brew of tea.

If this precaution has been  
neglected, fill the pot overnight  
with boiling water, to which has  
been added a piece of soda. Next  
day, scrub the inside with a small  
brush, rinse it well, dry thorough-

## A Smart three-piece Suit.



A French embodiment of Riviera chic—a three-piece suit  
of combined white and green, the cape collared and cuffed in  
dyed badger.

The fact that a well-known  
hostess, such as Mrs. Wilfrid  
Ashley is to enter the British film  
world is regarded as an indica-  
tion on the part of the British  
film-maker to leave nothing to  
chance in securing perfection in  
every detail and in the spirit of  
intelligent production.

Electric waver, however, has an ad-  
ditional advantage in the shape of  
an aluminium comb attachment.  
This heats and so forms a con-  
venient dryer for use after sham-  
pooing.

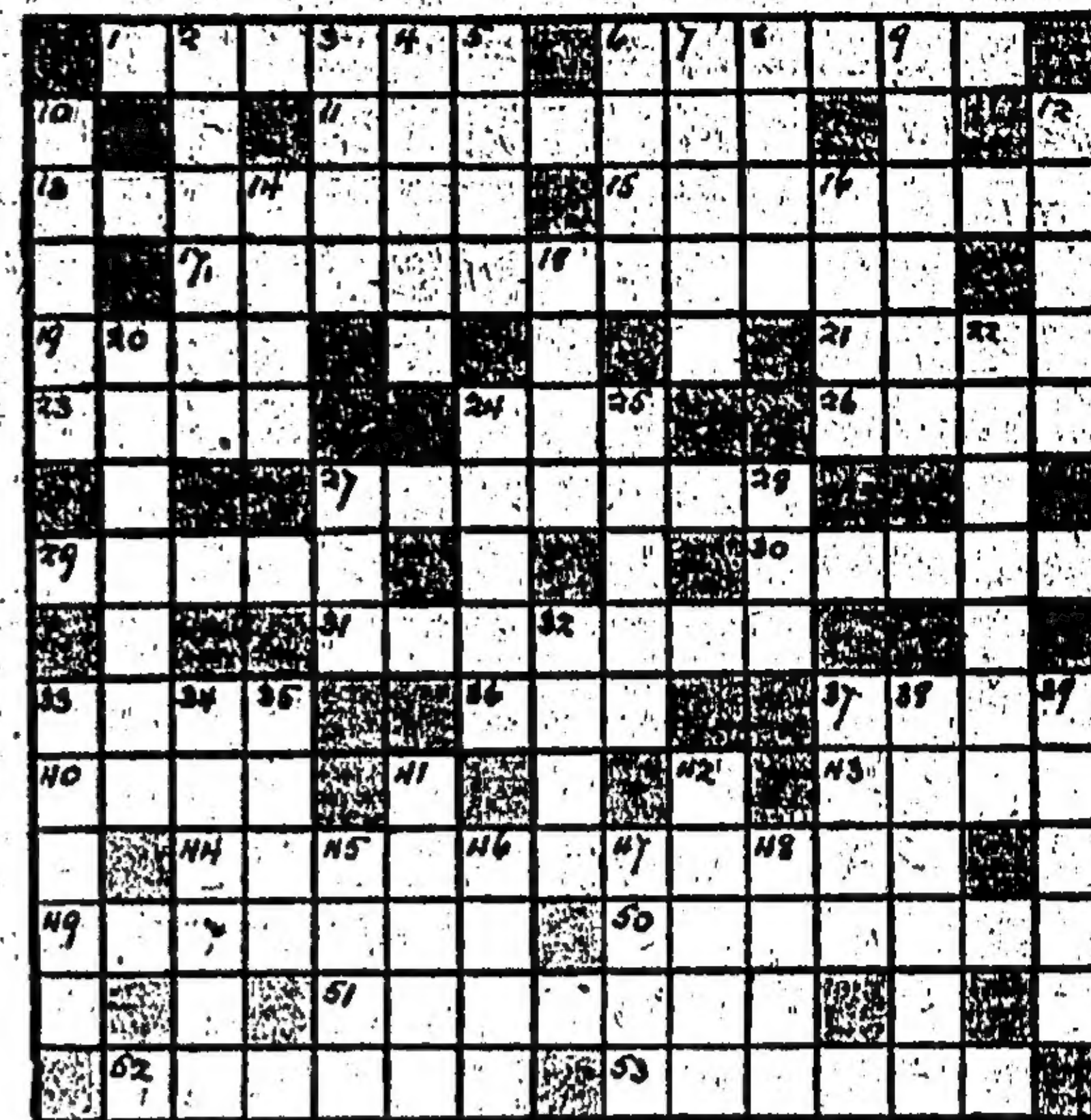
ly, and set aside, with a little hook  
over the edge to keep the lid from  
shutting.

If silver teapots are washed  
with boiling water, and rubbed  
well with a leather every day,  
they should only need thorough  
cleaning once a fortnight.

When washing china teapots  
with coloured pattern, add a little  
Fuller's earth to the water. This  
cleanses, and does no harm to  
delicate tints.

Pay special attention to the  
rims of the lids, which are often  
neglected.

## OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



- Across.
1. Vault.
  6. Scarves worn round waist.
  11. Composed of colts.
  13. Armist.
  15. Capable of stretching.
  17. Power in arms.
  19. Three united.
  21. Barn.
  23. Material similar to hemp.
  24. Firm.
  25. Send forth.
  27. Wicker basket.
  29. Firearm.
  30. Capet.
  31. Lugged.
  33. Seed-vessels.
  35. Spread to the air.
  37. On top.
  40. One.
  43. Numeral.
  44. Most common ore of tin.
  49. Begon.
  50. Burial service.
  51. Appetitive.
  52. Variety of flint glass.
  53. Bet.

- Down.
2. Stay.
  3. River island.
  4. One of ancient Greek races.
  5. Strike with open hand.
  6. Let it stand.
  7. Felt ill.
  8. Glance lightly.
  9. Set a value on.
  10. Gasps.
  12. Tax.
  14. Metal.
  16. Curve in a piece of garment.
  18. Sign.

20. Face crisis in resolute manner (met).
22. Chief constituent of flint.
24. Abrupt noise caused in nose.
25. Shy.
27. Favourite.
28. Contraction for Radical (col).
32. Ease.
33. Money container.
34. Officer similar to modern jurymen (Greek myth).
35. Heavenly body.
37. Prefix meaning against.
38. Cask for salt provisions.
39. Chimes.
41. Employers.
42. Vegetable product.
45. Porch.
46. Certain days in Roman calendar.
47. News.
48. Former king of Peru.

## Yesterday's Solution.

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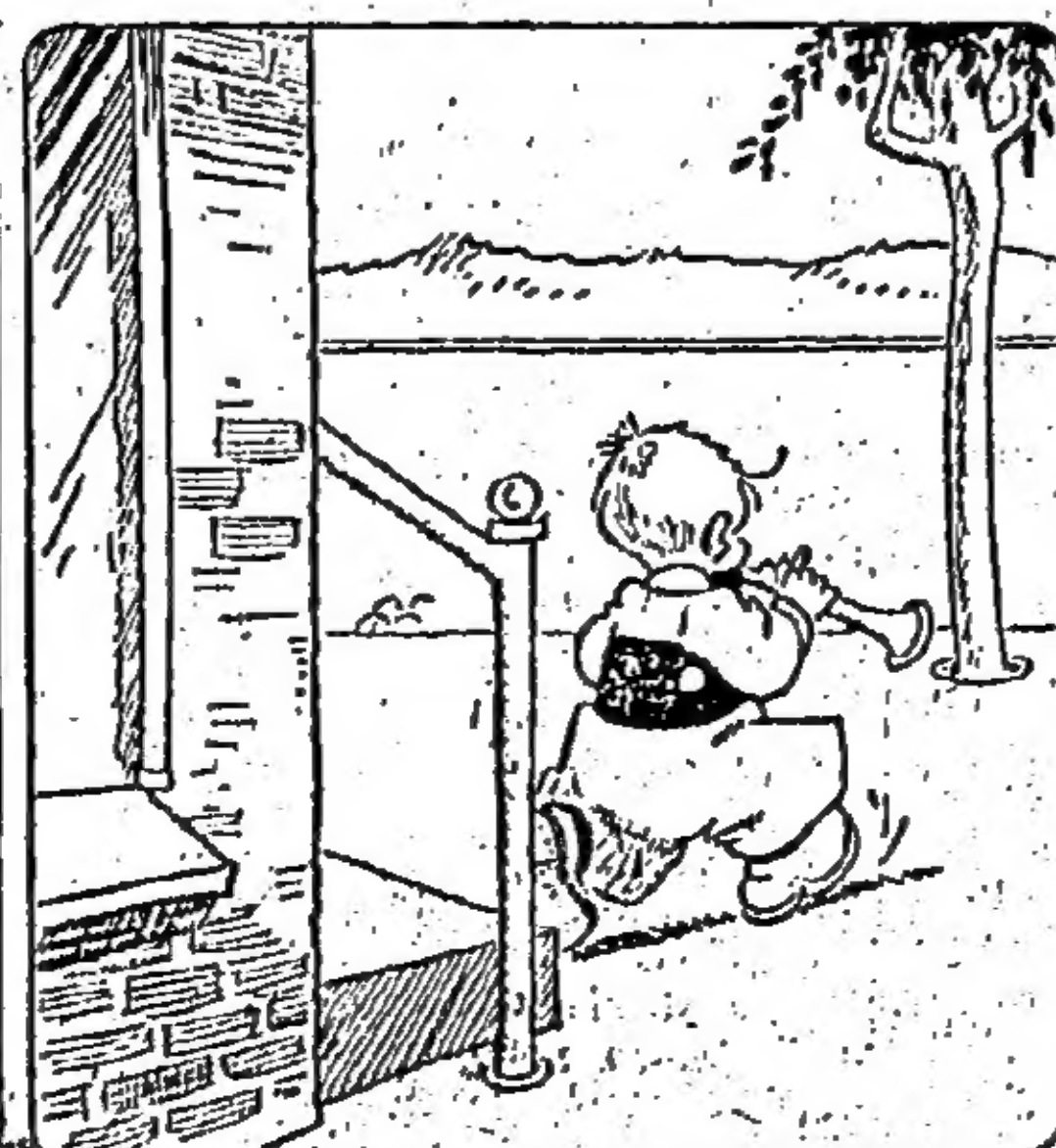
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## GETTING TOGETHER.

It will be hailed as a happy circumstance that, so soon after the visit of Sir Miles Lampson to Canton, distinguished officials from the Southern capital are coming down to Hongkong this week, to pay their respects to His Excellency the Governor and to meet the foreign and Chinese communities of the Colony. As we remarked yesterday, it is very many years since there was an exchange of formal official visits between Hongkong and Canton. If our memory is not at fault, Friday's visit by General Li Chai-sum and party will be the first of its kind since the Chinese Republic was established. During the Governorship of Sir Frederick Lugard, Viceroy Shum paid a courtesy call on His Excellency, who returned it later, and it is an interesting coincidence that on that occasion Sir (then Mr.) Cecil Clementi was amongst the official party which went up to Canton from Hongkong. That Sir Cecil should be the first chief representative of this Colony to renew this contact after so many years will invest his pending return visit to Canton with special interest. The call which General Li Chai-sum and party are making on Friday is also historic from the fact that for the first time in the history of the Colony the wives of Chinese officials are to be amongst the guests of H. E. the Governor and his wife. Apart from the new status of Chinese ladies, which this betokens, the value of the new personal contact thus engendered will surely find general appreciation.

Those who have met General Li Chai-sum in his official capacity all unite in paying tribute to his sincerity and to his keen desire not only to bring better rule to Kwangtung but also to work in complete harmony with foreign interests. His recent utterances, during the visit of Sir Miles Lampson, have been permeated by a feeling of real friendship for Britain and the British and have shown that he has the right conception of the relationships which should exist between Canton and Hongkong. If he continues in that policy, as we have every reason to believe he will, the results

will be to the mutual benefit of the two centres. In view of Britain's close association with Canton, from the very earliest days of commercial intercourse, it is most fitting that the new era in the South should be marked by a revival of the old spirit of friendship and co-operation, which the coming visit of General Li Chai-sum and party should do much to strengthen. Hongkong will also extend a very cordial welcome to Mr. Chu Chao-hsin, Canton's Minister for Foreign Affairs, who is one of the officials accompanying the Chairman of the Southern Government. Mr. Chu, who is a native of Kwangtung, has had wide diplomatic experience, having been Consul General in San Francisco, Charge d'Affaires in London and Minister to Italy, whilst his work as delegate to the League of Nations Assembly at Geneva is too well known to need emphasising. In his official capacity in Canton, he is working in the fullest harmony with Mr. Brennan, the British Consul-General, who has during the past week-end paid him a deserved tribute and asserted that British relations with Canton are now on a firm and friendly footing. The year 1928 has certainly opened most promisingly so far as the official relationships between Hongkong and Canton are concerned, and we are only echoing the sentiments of the whole community here when we express the hope that the new and better contacts will be long maintained.

## Transport Facilities.

There is much scope for the individual with a statistical turn of mind in the Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard's speech at the annual meeting of the Hongkong Tramway Company. A notable new record of nearly 28,000,000 passengers carried, excluding season ticket holders, was set, while it is a matter for congratulation that on one day during the Chinese New Year, the Company transported over 150,000 persons without a single mishap. These are figures which speak for themselves, and may be accepted as yet a further sign of the growth and development of the Colony, and its recovery from the depression following the boycott. Such encouraging indications must not delude the observer into the idea that a great deal has not still to be made up, but the mere fact that forward progress is definitely established should stimulate enterprise. The Tramway Company is seriously considering the organisation of bus services in the Colony, although the proposed routes have not been indicated. The Hon. Mr. Bernard, however, said enough to indicate that the Company will commence operations if permission can be obtained. At the moment we cannot see great scope on the island for a new bus service. In the districts served by the Hongkong Hotel Garage, on the roads to the University and Felix Villas, the present service is adequate; indeed, the Hotel Company deserve the thanks of the community for initiating it. When all things are considered the island of Hongkong is remarkably well favoured in its transport facilities, thanks to the far-sighted policy of such companies as have been mentioned.

## EXCHANGE RATES.

London, Feb. 27.

Paris	124
New York	487 31/32
Geneva	25 34
Amsterdam	12 12 1/4
Berlin	92 10
Stockholm	20 43
Copenhagen	18 20
Oslo	18 31
Vienna	84 02 1/2
Prague	104 1/4
Helsingfors	103 3/4
Madrid	28 91
Lisbon	219 04
Athens	308 1/2
Bucharest	70 4 1/2
Rio	5 59 3/4
Buenos Aires	47 1/2
Bombay	1 5 31/32
Shanghai	2 0 1/4
Hongkong	2 0 1/4
Yokohama	1 11 1/2
Silver (spot)	26 3 1/2
Silver (forward)	26 1/4

—British Wireless.

## DAY, BY DAY.

IT IS THE UNHAPPY MAN WHO COMMONLY SITS DOWN AND THINKS: THE HAPPY MAN GETS UP AND DOES SOMETHING.—G. S. Street.

The Empress of Asia left Vancouver on the 25th February and is due here on the 15th March.

The P. and O. s.s. Devonian, from Hongkong, arrived at London on 26th February at 1 a.m.

The list of Special and Common Jurors has been issued as a Hongkong Government Gazette Extraordinary.

The s.s. President McKinley, arriving yesterday from the United States and Shanghai, with 263 Asiatic deck passengers, reported the death of two en route.

A large quantity of provision and wines are to be sold by Public Auction at Messrs. Lammer's Auction Rooms to-morrow Wednesday at 10 a.m. The provisions will be put up in small lots to suit purchasers.—Advt.

Last week's health return shows five cases of typhoid fever (three fatal), three of small-pox (one fatal) and two of diphtheria (one fatal). All were Chinese. There were also four Chinese deaths from influenza.

This morning's Harbour Office reports gave 15 arrivals and eight departures, of which three and four respectively were British. The tonnage for the day was fair, with generally good inward cargoes, but through freights were less.

The reception which the Committee of the Khalsa Diwan is giving to Mr. K. S. Chowdhury, the first Indian barrister to practise in Hongkong, is to take place at Lane, Crawford's Restaurant on Friday, the 9th instant, at 5.15 p.m.

The marriage of Mr. Richard Charles Lee with Miss Esther Wong, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Wong, takes place to-day at St. John's Cathedral at 3 p.m. After the ceremony, there will be a reception at the Lee Gardens, at 4.30.

Among passengers arriving yesterday by s.s. President Taft from Manila and landing here were Lieut. and Mrs. F. V. Fitzgerald, Commr. and Mrs. R. F. Frelsen, Mr. R. E. Humphreys, Colonel and Mrs. E. J. Morren and Mr. G. G. Perdue.

Fines ranging from \$5 to \$15 were imposed by Major C. Willson, this morning, on a number of traffic offenders, guilty of trivial offences during the past week. Inefficient brakes, poor headlights, failing to obey police instructions and directions, failing to report accidents, and obstructions formed the nature of a varied list of offences.

The utilization of a tract of approximately 75 acres, of land in Baguio, granted to the United States Navy by an executive proclamation of the President of the United States in 1910, is being seriously considered at the present time by the Asiatic Fleet, it is learned in Manila from authoritative sources.

The hearing of the case against two soldiers charged with alleged fraud of \$75 from the Jockey Club during Race week, was to have continued this morning, but owing to the illness of Mr. G. S. Hugh Jones, solicitor for the defence, the case will now be heard on Thursday morning at 10.30 a.m. The two soldiers appeared in Court this morning and were formally remanded.

There will be no municipal elections in Shanghai this year, only nine nominations having been received yesterday for the nine seats on the Municipal Council. As a result the nine nominees are considered to have been elected, an official communication states. The nine named are: Messrs. H. E. Arnold, A. D. Bell, S. Fessenden, K. Fukushima, T. Funatsu, B. C. M. Johnston, W. P. Lambe, V. G. Lyman and J. J. Paterson.

## INJURED ON WAY TO HOSPITAL.

## CHINESE DIES AFTER ADMISSION.

A traffic mishap, as a result of which a Chinese on the way to hospital in a ricksha was so badly injured that he died just after admission, is reported to-day.

It appears that a motor bus was proceeding along Nathan Road, Kowloon, yesterday, and, when near the China Light and Power Company's shop, it ran into a ricksha in which a man named Leong Shi, 45 years of age, was being conveyed to hospital.

The ricksha was upset and the man thrown out. He was rushed to hospital, but died just after admission.

## PRETTY CHINESE WEDDING.

MR. R. C. LEE AND MISS ESTHER WONG.

A wedding of particular local interest was solemnised at St. John's Cathedral this afternoon, when Miss Esther Wong, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Wong, became the bride of Mr. Richard Charles Lee, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hysan, the Very Rev. Dean Swann officiating.

The parents of both parties are well-known both in Chinese and European circles. Mr. J. M. Wong is the proprietor of Messrs. A. S. Watson and Co., and has taken considerable interest in public affairs, while Mr. Lee Hysan is the proprietor of the Lee Gardens and Theatre.

The bride, who was given away by her father, was charmingly attired in a gown of silver lace, trimmed with pearls, and she carried a bouquet of white roses. She was attended by Miss Sarah Wong, as maid of honour, with the Misses Mary Chan, Ethel Lam, Eisle Wong, Dora Wong, Jeanette Wong and Fung Syn Wong as bridesmaids, all of whom wore dresses of crepe satin of multiple colours, trimmed with rosettes. Their bouquets were of pink roses.

The bride's mother was attired in full Chinese ceremonial dress. Mr. Frank Grose discharged the duties of best man, and Mr. F. Mason officiated at the organ.

Subsequent to the ceremony, a reception was held at Lee Gardens. The happy couple are to make a honeymoon trip to Europe.

## BRITISH AMBASSADOR TO BERLIN.

WELL-KNOWN DIPLOMAT GIVEN APPOINTMENT.

Berlin, Feb. 27.

The British Government has asked the German Government to approve the appointment of Sir Horace Rumbold as Ambassador at Berlin.—Reuter.

The ninth baronet, Sir Horace Rumbold, P.C., G.C.M.G., M.V.O., has been Ambassador at Madrid since 1924, having spent practically the whole of his life in the Diplomatic Service. His appointments have taken him to Vienna, Cairo, Munich, The Hague, Switzerland, and Japan. He was Charge d'Affaires at Tokyo in 1909, and a wonderful linguist he received special allowances for knowledge of Japanese, Arabic, and Persian.

The appointment now made is particularly interesting as Sir Horace Rumbold was Charge d'Affaires at Berlin at the outbreak of the War, leaving on the declaration and joining the Foreign Office. He signed the Lausanne Treaty for Great Britain in 1923.

Germany Agrees.

Berlin, Feb. 27.

The Government has agreed to the appointment of Sir Horace Rumbold as Ambassador at Berlin.—Reuter.

## EXCESS PASSENGERS.

## JAPANESE MASTER FINED.

The adjourned case against Captain Nakamura, of s.s. Nishin Maru, charged with carrying 31 passengers, when only 12 were allowed by law, was resumed before Commr. G. F. Hole this morning. A representative of the agents, Messrs. Saito and Company, appeared on behalf of the accused.

A plea of guilty was entered, the agent's representative stating that this was the first visit to Hongkong of Captain Nakamura and he was not conversant with the regulations. Care would be taken that no offence would be committed in future, and that the commander's staff and cargo coolies would be entered on the articles.

His Worship pointed out that the law relating to passengers was international, and that Japanese regulations did not differ at all from those of Hongkong and therefore there was no excuse for the evasion.

A fine of \$100, with the alternative of two months' imprisonment, was inflicted.

## MORE RAIN PREDICTED.

To-day's observatory report states:—An anticyclone is still central over South Manchuria. Conditions over South China are uncertain. Moderate monsoon may be expected over the China Sea. The forecast up to noon to-morrow, is:—North-east winds, moderate; generally overcast; some rain.

## The Very Idea!

A small boy was told that when visitors came to the house it was his duty to pay them some attention.

Shortly afterwards a Mrs. Daniel called, and he shook hands politely, and exclaimed in his best drawing-room manner—"How do you do, Mrs. Daniel? I've just been reading about your husband in the den of lions."

On the famous occasion, when Lord Bowen read out the draft of the address to be presented by the Judges to Her Majesty Queen Victoria at her Jubilee, judicial humour was signally in evidence.

"Conscious as we are of our defects," read Bowen to their august Lordships.

"I am not conscious of any defect," interrupted one learned Judge.

Bowen bowed politely, paused—and altered his draft.

Then he read out:—"Conscious as we are of one another's defects....."

Mr. Cairns, Thames magistrate, to two Welsh women who applied for cross summonses for assault: Both of you go away and sing "Land of my Fathers."

Walthamstow landlady of her lodger: I saw her once without a black eye.

General dealer at Bow County Court: At our game it is not what you can earn, it is what you can get hold of.

Woman at Willesden: A stay of execution, please, a moneylender is foreclosing on me at noon to-day. Magistrate: Then you are beyond any stay of execution that I can grant.

Willesden witness: The man was drunk and causing obstruction to buses and other virgineer traffic.

Schoolboy "howlers":—

In the houses of the poor, the drains are in a fearful state and quite unfit for human habitation. Artificer, peripatetic: Is what you make a person alive with when they are only just dead.

The mechanical advantage of a long pump-handle is that you can have someone to help you pump.

The modern woman must have her modern ways. Her modern shingle has caused confusion amongst the hairpin manufacturers. Now, it would seem, the makers of egg-timers are to be hard hit, too.

The modern substitute for the thin stream of sand trickling from one glass bulb to the other is the thin stream of blue cigarette smoke. Modern Milly puts on the eggs to boil. She then borrows a "rag" from father, and lights it when the water boils. The eggs are ready when the cigarette is finished.

Two awards totalling £2,300 were returned in the Camden, New Jersey, Courts against a local dentist whom a woman patient accused of responsibility for injuries to her tongue, inflicting on her a permanent lisp.

The woman, Mrs. Martha Lefauit, stated that Dr. Samuel Tomkins punctured her tongue with an instrument while filling a tooth. She won £2,000 damages. Her husband obtained a \$300 award to defray medical expenses.

Dr. Tomkins testified that the injury was due to the fact that the patient squirmed, causing the instrument to slip.

A caddy who had been caught attempting to steal a ball on the course was reported to the caddy master. "That official, who had a soft heart, took the culprit to task. 'You must have known it was dishonest to steal,' he said, 'and, in any case, didn't your conscience tell you that the man was looking?'"

The signs for industrial peace are very hopeful—Sir A. Steel-Maitland.

When the millennium comes there will be no lawyers and no tax-collectors.—Mr. R. D. Holt.

While cleverness gains applause, it is commonsense that attains enduring results.—Mr. E. S. Baron.

In spite of what this country has gone through, the spirit of enterprise is not dead here.—Lord Gainsford.

I am not a Wesleyan, being more of a Quaker, though little better than an atheist in the eyes of old-fashioned Wesleyans and Quakers.—Mr. Bernard Shaw.

The new motor ambulance built for the Tung Wah Hospital was on view at the Central Police Station yesterday morning, when it was taken up to be tested before being put into service. The chassis is an Austin "20," the body, which was built locally, and is painted white, is very roomy. The apartment has comfortable accommodation for two stretcher patients on one side, whilst on other is a long seat which can be used for accommodating attendants or patients in less serious cases.



ANOTHER VESSEL  
GOES ASHORE.THE KINKO MARU STRIKES  
ROCKS.

## RIVER STRANDINGS.

Following the reports of the strandings of the river steamers Kwong Fook Cheong, San Nam Hoi and Ichang, yet another marine casualty was recorded this morning, the vessel involved being the s.s. Kinko Maru, of the Shiozaki Yokichi, she having struck the rocks in the vicinity of Turnabout Island.

The earliest news was received last night by wireless, the master stating that the vessel had gone ashore during fog in Latitude 25° 26' North, Longitude 119° 55' East, the position being approximately that of the Turnabout Island Rocks south of Foochow.

On enquiry at the local agents (the M.B.K.) this morning, no further news had been received and it is presumed that the vessel is in no danger, assistance not having yet been despatched.

The s.s. Kinko Maru (ex-Holmborg, ex-Harold), is a steel screw steamer of 2,987 gross and 1921 net, built in 1903 by J. Thompson and Son of Sunderland, and formerly owned by Haugesund, but now in the ownership of the Shiozaki Yokichi and registered at Amagasaki, for whom the M.B.K. are acting as local agents. Her dimensions are:—Length 325 feet, beam 48 feet and moulded depth 21.6 feet, engine to 285 N.H.P. by G. Clark and Co. of Sunderland. It is understood that the vessel was en route to Hongkong from northern ports.

## River Strandings.

On arrival last night, the s.s. Tai Lee stated that the s.s. Kwong Fook Chong had been refloated and had discharged her cargo at Kongmoon, subsequently leaving for Hongkong. The Kwong Fook Cheong followed the Tai Lee down and after berthing early this morning, was inter docked at Shumshulpo for survey, but it is understood that the vessel is not seriously damaged.

The s.s. San Nam Hoi was sighted by s.s. Tai Lee on Sunday evening, stranded off the Swallowway. After communication between the vessels, the Tai Lee anchored beyond the bar and the San Nam Hoi's passengers, numbering 360 were transferred via three junks. A British gunboat was seen to be standing by.

On the passage down last night, the s.s. Tai Lee again sighted the San Nam Hoi proceeding upwards to Kongmoon, she having been refloated and making her way to her port of destination. It is understood that the San Nam Hoi will berth here at about midnight to-night.

The s.s. Ichang, of the China Navigation Company, returned to harbour this morning, after grounding in the vicinity of Junk Rock. She entered in ballast from Canton and will probably be surveyed for damage at Taikoo during the next 24 hours.

## SIR MILES LAMPSON.

RETURNING FROM CANTON  
VISIT.

Sir Miles Lampson, the British Minister to China, is returning this afternoon from his official visit to Canton.

To-night Sir Miles Lampson will be entertained at a dinner party at eight o'clock at the Chinese Merchants Club, China Building, by the two Chinese representatives in the Legislative Council, the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kowell, C.M.G., and the Hon. Mr. Si Kow-sun Chow.

His Excellency the Governor and many other distinguished members of the foreign community in Hongkong together with many noted Chinese merchants will be present in the gathering.

Chinese merchants who are among the invited guests include: Li Yu-tsun, Li Yick-mui, Wong Kwong-tin, Dr. S. W. Tao, Ho Kwong, Tang Shu-ida, Ma Chu-chiu, Li Po-kuai, T. N. Chau, Ho Kom-tong, Fung Ping-shan, Leung Kwai-din, Lo Chung-ku, Li Shing-ku, Sum Pak-ming, Kok Shiu-lau, Li Jor-shan, Mok Kon-sang, Ip Lan-chuen, Wong Ping-shuen, Wong Ping-yow, Li Cho-fong, and many others.

It is learned that during his coming visit to Hongkong, General Li Chai-sun will also be entertained by Chinese merchants at the Chinese Merchants' Club on the 4th March.

According to the official (Soviet) Press Agency, Leonid Novikov, an ex-chief of the commercial administration of the Trans-Caucasian Commissariat for Trade, has been executed for "systematically taking bribes from profiteers."

STEAMBOAT CO.  
MEETING.BRIGHTER OUTLOOK  
REPORTED.HOPES OF DIVIDEND FOR  
CURRENT YEAR.

## NO CANTON TROUBLE.

The ordinary annual meeting of shareholders of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company, Limited, was held at the Company's offices this morning. Mr. T. G. Weall presiding. Other Directors present were Sir Robert Ho Tung, Mr. J. M. Alves, Mr. R. K. Batchelor, Mr. C. Gordon Mackie and Mr. A. B. Stewart, with the Secretary, Mr. John Arnold. Shareholders present were the Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes, Mr. D. M. Goodall, Mr. L. S. Greenhill, Mr. W. E. van Eps, Mr. Cheng Ching-po, and Mr. Lo Kai-hong.

The Secretary read the notice convening the meeting.

## Chairman's Speech.

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen.—The report and accounts for the year ending 31st December 1927 have been in your hands for the prescribed period and I therefore propose, with your consent, to take them as well as the auditors' certificate as read.

The profit on working for the period under review, including income from investments, rents, government grant, profit on the sale of a lighter and moorings, amounts to \$347,832.89, from which has to be deducted cost of repairs, directors' and auditors' fees, interest and depreciation on the usual scale, leaving a net profit of \$78,182.48. We carried forward from previous account a deficit of \$246,988.33 and your Directors recommend that transfers from reserves should be made to wipe off this deficit and leave a small credit balance of \$11,197.15 to carry forward to new account. Accordingly, \$100,000 has been taken from Equalization of Dividend Fund and \$30,000 from Investment Fluctuation Account, reducing these accounts to \$50,000 and \$250,332.88 respectively.

## Mortgage Repaid.

The value of investments shows a reduction of \$137,189 on account of the sale of certain securities to enable us to repay the mortgage on s.s. Talsun, and the sum transferred from Investment Fluctuation Account, namely \$80,000, approximately represents profit on realisation. The amount standing at credit of Investment Fluctuation Account still shows a reserve of fully 30 per cent. of your investments, which is ample considering the class of investments held.

With regard to the transfer of \$100,000 from Equalization of Dividend Fund, you will, I feel sure, agree that it is better to appropriate a part of this reserve, thus enabling us to start a new year with a credit balance rather than carry forward a deficit.

Your Directors regret that once again they are unable to recommend payment of a dividend, but provided conditions continue as at present, we can look forward to some return for account of the present year.

## Office Economies.

Before passing from the accounts, I would mention that, following the suggestions offered by a shareholder at the last annual meeting, the possibility of effecting economies in our office organisation was fully considered and it was found that only a few minor economies were possible, without impairing efficiency.

It was also suggested that a saving of some \$30,000 might be effected by the appointment of a local shipping firm as general agents. It has been felt that while the present unsettled conditions of trade exist, the time was hardly opportune to explore this suggestion.

Your fleet and property have been maintained in first-class order and, while on this subject, I would like to mention Captain R. Innes, the China Navigation Company's Marine Superintendent, who has acted as Marine Superintendent for our Company, and is shortly retiring after 30 years' service during which his work and advice in this Company's interest have been of great value.

With regard to the Macao trade, the question of placing faster and more up-to-date vessels on this run is constantly occupying your Directors' attention, but they feel that the time is hardly opportune to embark upon a building programme.

## Moderate Trade.

Trade generally in the Canton Delta during the year under review can only be classed as moderate. Due to conditions existing in the country, movement of cargo has been generally restricted, while the

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BATTLE AT YEN  
MEN PASS.FENGTIEN TROOPS PREPARING  
BIG OFFENSIVE.

## SHANSI MEN TO FIGHT.

Shanghai, Feb. 28. A message from Nanking states that Marshal Yen Hsi-shan, the Shansi Tungan, yesterday reported the immediate outbreak of hostilities between the Shansi forces and the Fengtien Army in the vicinity of Yen Men Pass.

Reinforcements are being rushed up from Talyuanfu in order to strengthen the Shansi defences against which Chang Tso-lin's troops have been making preparations to launch an attack.

It is expected that heavy fighting will take place soon, as the Shansi leader states he is determined not to give way.—Reuter.

Shanghai, Feb. 27.

With a view to the impending offensive against the Fengtien forces along the Taimpu line, Chiang Kai-shek has ordered the mobilization of all the participating armies in preparation for an advance at a moment's notice.—Reuter.

## Heavy Fighting Expected.

Shanghai, Feb. 28. A telegram from General Yen Shi-shan, forwarded to Nanking, under date of the 26th, reports that heavy troop movements on the part of the Fengtien forces on the Peking-Suiyuan Railway had been taking place since the 19th inst.

Three divisions of Fengtien troops, under General Tang Yulin, have arrived in the vicinity of Yen Men Pass. General Tang is also reported to have arrived at the front on the 19th; and has been preparing an attack on the Shansi forces.

General Yen adds that two Divisions have been despatched northward for reinforcing purposes. Heavy fighting on the Northern front is shortly expected.—Nam Chung Pao.

## NEW AMBASSADOR.



Sir Horace Rumbold, who has just been appointed British Ambassador to Berlin.

## ARMS POSSESSION.

CHINESE PASSENGER'S  
EXPLANATION.

A Chinese passenger of the s.s. President McKinley, which arrived from America yesterday afternoon, was charged before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning, with being in possession of one revolver and five rounds of ammunition.

The defendant pleaded guilty to possession and said he was not aware that it was necessary to get a licence.

When asked what he required the revolver for, he replied that it did not belong to him, but that he had found it in the pocket of an overcoat which somebody had dropped on the deck of the ship shortly after arrival. The defendant stated that he had just picked up the coat when he was accosted by a detective and searched, the revolver and ammunition being found in the pocket.

After seeing the overcoat, his Worship said that it certainly seemed possible that such had been the case. Sergeant Fowler, who prosecuted, said the defendant had made the same statement to the police immediately on arrest.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$200, or three months' hard labour, intimating that he thought that would meet the case.

A new by-pass road, linking the Kingston-by-pass and the London to Folkestone road, is forehadowed in a letter from the Ministry of Transport to the Bromley Council.

SHANGHAI CINEMA  
UPROAR.FRENCH OBJECTIONS  
TO "BEAU GESTE."POLICE CALLED TO QUELL  
DISTURBANCE.

## SOME LIVELY SCENES.

Police from Sinza Station had to be called out at a Shanghai Theatre last week to deal with an attempt of a number of Frenchmen, including one or two well-known French residents, to stop the showing of "Beau Geste," the film based on the novel by Major P. C. Wren dealing with the French Foreign Legion.

At one time, half-way through the picture, when incidents, represented by the French portion of the audience were being portrayed, the police moved against the man who appeared to be one of the leaders of the opposition and immediately there was an uproar. Serious trouble was averted, but the opposition continued.

## Shouting and Yelling.

When the film opened the opposition soon made itself heard. About a score of Frenchmen occupied the back seat of the circle and began shouting, yelling, stamping their feet and blowing police whistles when any incident was shown in the film, which met their displeasure. The acts of the hard-boiled Sergeant Lajune met with roars of disapproval.

For a solid hour the uproar continued, two of the men using motor horns to add to the din. Many patrons of the theatre, prevented from enjoying the performance, left the place in disgust as cries of "Liar," "It isn't true," "It's nothing but German propaganda" came floating down from the back of the circle.

## Police Arrive.

As the uproar continued and demands were made that the film be stopped a call was put in for the police, and a party was sent from the nearest police station.

This action of the management was resented and there was disorder for some time with the police mixed up with disturbers, who stood on their feet and protested.

Attempts were made to stop the showing of the film, one man holding his hat over the aperture in the projection box until his hand was snatched away by the police.

Loud voices were raised in which the main appeal by the Frenchmen was that the picture be stopped; that it was a false representation of the true facts; that it was incorrect; that it was German propaganda and other things.

Non-French members of the audience, their tempers sorely tried by this disturbance, took a hand by asking the French people "if they didn't like it to get out." The reply came back that they were there to stop it.

## Manager Intervenes.

As the police and disturbers milled around in the back seats of the circle, the manager made his voice heard and assured the opposition party that when the film was shown before, he received a letter from Captain E. Fiori, Chief of the French Police, raising no objection against it. "He ought to know," he was in it," somebody of non-French nationality remarked.

Eventually, the most violent stages of the opposition vanished and the film continued to the end. Various incidents, however, were met with loud roars and hoots, while the finale disappeared in a round of titters and cheap sneers. Towards the end of the film, as things grew quieter, a good many people who had retired to the lobby, returned to their seats. The police remained in the building until the end.

## SOLDIERS FINED.

SEQUEL TO CAFE  
DISTURBANCES.

Privates J. Grant, W. Feeney and J. Hegarty, of the King's Own Scottish Borderers, who were charged with being drunk and disorderly and doing damage at the Boston and Prince Cafes in Beaconsfield Arcade, appeared before Major C. Willson, on remand, this morning, when the police stated that the damage caused to the windows was estimated by Mr. Corney, a local glass merchant, at \$145.

Defendants were, on the first charge, each fined \$5, or seven days. On the further charge of smashing the glass, they were each fined an additional \$50, or six weeks' hard labour.

His Worship ordered that compensation to the shops be made from these fines.

P. I. DEMOCRATIC  
CHOICE.FAVOURS GOVERNOR SMITH  
FOR U. S. PRESIDENCY.

## ENTHUSIASTIC SCENES.

To the swinging strains of "The Sidewalks of New York," Governor Al Smith carried the Philippine Islands last week, when the Democratic territorial convention at the Manila Hotel, instructed its six delegates to vote for his nomination for President at the Democratic national convention at Houston, Texas, June 28.

The annual convention was overwhelmingly for New York's favourite son and repeatedly interrupted its deliberations to burst into the song that his candidature made famous at the last national Democratic convention in New York City four years ago.

Philippine Democratic leaders said the islands were the first to elect delegates to the national nominating convention and seemed to think their action would have far-reaching results.

## The Platform.

In adopting their platform the Democrats condemned with utmost vigor the Republican administration of national affairs. As a timely feature they denounced the tariff policy which, they claim, is strangling the sugar industry of these islands. They advocated the fostering of the closest economic co-operation between the people of the Philippine Islands, favouring the influx of American capital to further the economic and political advancement of the islands. They opposed the alleged plan of certain Republicans in Congress to bring about the political dismemberment of the Philippines.

The convention, attended by 111 delegates, 55 from Manila and 56 from the various provincial districts, disposed of its work in record time. The orchestra struck into "The Sidewalks of New York" for each delegate and each alternate elected, reverting from that selection only while the Star Spangled Banner was played as the convention adjourned.

That the meeting was all for Smith was evidenced by the prolonged cheering when the delegates were instructed to "vote for and use all honourable efforts to secure the nomination of the Honourable Alfred E. Smith, of New York, for the Presidency of the United States so long as his name is before the convention."

Neither the question of Philippine independence nor that of prohibition was referred to.

John Harvey, the Welshman, who was sentenced to eight years' imprisonment for desertion from the French Foreign Legion, and was recently pardoned and released from further service, was arrested by the London police in connexion with a charge of leaving his wife and family chargeable to the Poor Law Union. The warrant was issued at the instance of the Bedwellty (Mon.) Guardians. Harvey, whose real name, it is stated, is David Harvey John Young, is to be charged at New Tredegar. He is a native of that town and married an Aberystwyth girl.

HOW MUCH DO YOU  
KNOW?

## TO-DAY'S QUESTIONS.

The following general knowledge paper has been taken from the Daily Express.

Answers, for those who need them, will be found on Page 14 of this issue.

1. What decision has just preserved the Surrey commons from spoliation?
2. What famous historical correspondence was published in England recently, and with what period does it deal?
3. What were the "Conversations at Malines"?
4. What is the latest estimated spurious population of the County of London?
5. To whom is the cathedral now being built in New York to be dedicated?
6. Is it an invariable rule that counsel must be instructed by a solicitor?
7. Name the Renaissance artist who usually painted red-haired women.
8. What in American slang are (a) wiggy, (b) dips?
9. What are coyotes and where are they found?
10. Who illustrated the first edition of "Alice in Wonderland"?
11. Name the authors of the following lines:—"Where words are scarce, they are seldom spent in vain"; "Man's inhumanity to man makes countless thousands mourn"; "For man is man, and master of his fate"; "Every shepherd tells his tale".
12. In the last quotation of Question 11, what does the word "tale" mean?



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In the event of no reader forecasting all twelve matches, a prize of \$25 will be given to the reader who sends in the greatest number of correct forecasts; and in the event of two or more readers sending in an equal high number, the prize of \$25 will be divided.

The competition is in accordance with the rules published in the Telegraph during the weeks August 29—September 24.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH"  
FORECAST COMPETITION.Matches to be played on  
March 3rd.

## ENGLISH CUP.

Blackburn v Manchester Un.  
Sheffield U. v Notts Forest.  
Huddersfield v Tottenham.  
Arsenal v Stoke.

## SCOTTISH CUP.

Albion Rovers v Rangers.  
Motherwell v Celtic.  
Queen's Park v Partick.  
Dunfermline v Hibernians.

## ENGLISH LEAGUE.

Fulham v Bristol City.  
Hull v Chelsea.  
Swindon v Millwall.  
Plymouth v Northants.

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Strike out the teams which you think will lose, but make no marks in respect of matches which you think will be drawn.

All claims must reach this office not later than Wednesday following the date on which the matches are played. No prize will be awarded for which a claim has not been made.

Before sending in your coupons, mark your forecasts on the duplicate list given below. Keep your duplicate lists and compare them later with the published results of the matches and if you find that you have eight or more correct send in a claim for the prize.

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Hull v Chelsea.  
Swindon v Millwall.  
Plymouth v Northants.

## SHANGHAI BOXING.

STOKER MORRELL'S  
NARROW WIN.

Fighting a wonderful fight, in which most of the blows intended to put him under landed in comparatively innocuous places, Stoker Tom Morrell established himself as the best battler of his class Shanghai has seen for many a long day by defeating K. O. Williams, formidable light-heavyweight from the French Defence Forces, in a thrilling and close main event at the Carlton auditorium last week. Morrell earned a narrow decision to the cheers of the crowd.

The Shanghai Times says, Morrell was lucky to obtain the judges' decision. On a general survey of the bout there was very little in it. Morrell landed the greater number of blows; Williams the more damaging blows. As a result there was some dissatisfaction expressed when the decision was announced. The general opinion, however, confirmed the judges' and nothing more was said about it.

## HOME FOOTBALL.

STOCKPORT WIN EASILY.

London, Feb. 27.

In the Northern Section of the English League to-day, Stockport County defeated Wrexham by five goals to nothing. —Reuter.

STEAMBOAT CO.  
MEETING.

(Continued from Page 7.)

passenger trade has likewise suffered to some extent. Unfortunately, owing to misunderstandings with the Seamen's Union in Canton, our steamers were picketed and passengers were prevented from embarking or disembarking at our wharves in Canton for a period of seven weeks during the summer which is reflected in the net earnings of the steamers. I am pleased to say that all misunderstandings were overcome on 6th August.

It is impossible and even dangerous to forecast what the future has in store, but the return to more peaceful conditions in Canton under the present Government is reassuring. An active campaign to suppress brigandage and piracy and measures to overcome the bank note problem in Canton should further restore general confidence and lead to improved trading conditions in the Delta. Given these conditions, we can rely upon our up-to-date and popular steamers getting their full share of cargo and passengers from shippers and supporters.

## Tributes.

I cannot close without mentioning the hard work and loyalty on the part of our staff, both foreign and Chinese, afloat and ashore under conditions that have often been trying, if not enervating, an element of personal risk.

It is with regret that I have to report the death of Captain A. McKinnon, who was well known to most of you, as one of the most popular captains on the Canton run, and who only survived to enjoy a very short while in retirement after completing 22 years' service in the Company.

It is fitting here that I should also record our appreciation of the services of our Canton Agents, Messrs. Deacon & Co., Ltd., under the especially trying conditions of the past year.

No further comments appear to be necessary and I therefore propose that the accounts and report as presented be adopted. When this has been seconded I shall be pleased to answer to the best of my ability any questions shareholders may wish to ask.

## Seconders Speech.

In seconding the Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes said:—I have much pleasure in seconding that the report and accounts as presented be adopted. Shareholders generally will be sure to appreciate the action of the directors in transferring a lakh from Equalization of Dividend Fund and realising a portion of our assets in order to pay off mortgage. While we all regret that no dividend is available for distribution we cannot, in view of the difficult times we have gone through, expect a dividend or be surprised. I, at any rate, feel that your wise policy is justified.

With the Government at present in power in Canton, I feel that we shall enjoy a year of continued progress towards that prosperity which the steamers of this Company formerly enjoyed in Canton and in the delta. We have, however, met with so many surprises and disappointments that we should nevertheless continue a policy of rigid economy both in the working of the steamers and in the office. We must be very sure that we are out of the wood before embarking on any programme of building new ships.

It is very gratifying to learn from the Directors' report of the loyal support of the staff both afloat and ashore and it is to be regretted that no appropriations have been possible for the respective funds.

Our Chairman has modestly refrained from making mention of the arduous work that has fallen on himself and his co-Directors during the past few years. They have, I know, had a great deal to do and have had many difficult and delicate problems to solve; and I think that shareholders owe a gratitude to you, Sir, and the Directors for the manner in which these negotiations have been settled on behalf of shareholders.

The Chairman returned thanks for the appreciation expressed by the Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes.

The report and accounts were unanimously adopted.

## Business Matters.

On the proposition of Mr. Goodall, seconded by Mr. Cheng Ching-po, Messrs. T. G. Weall and J. M. Alves were re-elected to the Board of Directors.

The Chairman announced that the Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang, Mr. R. M. Austin, Mr. H. Staples Smith, and Mr. J. J. Paterson had resigned their seats on the board on leaving the Colony. Mr. J. J. Paterson, Mr. M. T. Johnson, and Mr. R. K. Batchelor had been invited to join the board and those appointments required confirmation.

The appointments were confirmed, on the proposition of Mr.

OUR DAILY TALK ON  
HEALTH.LIFE SPAN IS MEASURED BY  
WORK WE DO.

DOCTORS SOON DIE.

The average man works eight hours, sleeps eight hours and spends the other eight hours in recreation.

The eight hours of work have much to do with all of the rest of his life. If he occupies a mental position, he is likely to be exposed to cold and wet and unfavourable physical conditions.

If his pay is limited, he is likely to eat an insufficient diet and to have insufficient recreation.

More and more, therefore, scientific medicine is beginning to investigate conditions associated with work as to their effects on health and disease.

The average mortality rate for men of the age of 25 to 65 is fifteen per thousand, but liquor handlers and copper and lead miners have a rate of twenty per thousand, and doctors have a higher rate than either lawyers or ministers.

The high rate for physicians is accredited to the fact that their lives lead them into much overwork and exposure. The disabilities of men also vary according to their occupations.

Actors, architects, bankers, musicians and teachers have rates lower than the average. On the other hand, brokers, travelling salesmen, dentists and restaurant proprietors and tailors have more than the average amount of illness.

The expectation of life at the age of 20 is eight years less for industrial workers than for agricultural, commercial and professional workers.

The death rate from tuberculosis is two to three times higher among industrial workers than in farming, commercial and professional classes. Pneumonia has twice the death rate among industrial workers.

Bootleggers are subject to all sorts of unusual hazards and actors keep extremely irregular hours. To the insurance companies, these factors are of great importance because it is necessary they be taken into account in estimating premiums against loss of time from illness or against death.

## CHINESE SINGER.



Miss Chee Toy, the noted Chinese singer, who is appearing at all performances in the Queen's Theatre to-day and to-morrow, to sing popular English and Chinese songs. A daughter of the famous magician, Ching Ling-foo, Miss Chee Toy is a star in her own right, "having topped the bill" at the Ziegfeld Follies.

Among the passengers sailing from Hongkong aboard the M. M. s.s. General Metzinger to-day is Mr. J. Limage, the local agent of the Messageries Maritimes, who is going home on leave.

At a Lambeth inquest on Rachel Silver, 48, wife of a fishmonger, of Old South Lambeth-road, who committed suicide by coal gas poisoning, it was stated that she had had 20 children. The husband said that she used to have drinking bouts but when she was sober she was a most devoted wife and mother. The Coroner (Mr. Ingleby Oddie) recorded a verdict of "Suicide While of Unsound Mind."

Greenhill, seconded by Mr. Van Eps.

Mr. Batchelor proposed, and Mr. Lo Kai-hong seconded, that Messrs. Linstead and Davis and Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews be re-elected auditors at a remuneration of \$1,000 each. The proposition was carried unanimously.

KEEPING OUT THE  
CRITIC.ADVICE TO AFFRONTED  
MANAGERS.

[By Edgar Wallace.]

I am very sorry to see that two very good friends of mine are at loggerheads. The one a brilliant young dramatic critic, the other a brilliant actor—I am not sure that he is not the greatest on the English stage. He is a charming, masterful man, as good a soldier as he is an artist, and that is paying him the highest compliment; the type that would possibly order his best friend to be shot at dawn if the exigencies of the military situation demanded such a sacrifice.

He did not order the dramatic critic to be shot at dawn, but he placed the angel at the gate, and sternly refused the damned critic admission to his paradise.

It has happened before and will happen again that managers, and especially actor-managers, who feel rather sore at some criticism of their previous work, will deny admission to the critic on the first night of the subsequent production. I am not going to say this is silly; it is terribly natural, almost as natural as the loathing one has for the ruffian who trumps your ace the first time round.

The Wise Way with Pin-pricks. Authors suffer much more than actors from the comments of the critics. Indeed, I have found an extraordinary charity of treatment, where actors and actresses are concerned, general amongst all writers who deal with theatrical performance. It is not nice to read uncomplimentary references to your work, and one's first inclination is to throw down the paper and ring the bell for the family executioner.

"Go out and find Mr. Z., of the Daily Turmoil—you can't mistake him; he's tall, thin, and interestingly ugly. Cut his throat and bury him, ten paces north of the old pigsty."

I am a fervent believer in the assassination of dramatic critics. Quite a number of them would prefer death to the kind of plays they have to see. But I don't think it is sufficient punishment to exclude them from a first night performance. And I don't think, if I may be allowed to say so, Robert, that it is terribly dignified. We shouldn't think an awful lot of Mr. Baldwin if he rose in the House of Commons trembling with anger, and pointing to a vacuous-looking individual in the reporter's gallery, said: "I will not have that man in the House of Commons—he referred to me yesterday as an enemy of labour; he also said that my speech was halting, weak, and unconvincing!"

If such a thing happened in the Commons, the Speaker would adjourn the House, kind friends would lead Mr. Baldwin forth to a comfortable private room and have his brow with eau-de-Cologne; and the Press Gallery would conspire to hush up a very unpleasant incident.

Big men should be superior to pin-pricks; they should certainly be superior to anything that has the appearance of hurt vanity. I

am not a big man, so my vanity is much more easily hurt than, say, Mr. Winston Churchill's. When I had a failure last year I was ready to quarrel with one who has been a lifelong friend of mine—my life really began when I came into Fleet-street—but happily my long association with professional criminals has brought to me something of their philosophy; and I have learned that one only thing to do in the circumstances is to "go quietly" and to bear no malice towards the policeman who pinches me.

## A Losing Fight.

The actor in question should set a better example to his brethren. Year after year we poor scribbling Trolskys are being banished by these inflexible and managerial Stalins. The quarrel usually lasts about six months, everything is patched up, and the dramatic critic is left with a new embarrassment. For if he is admitted to another show in which the management or the actor is concerned he is confronted with the knowledge that if he says anything unpleasant he will be again excluded, and if he writes something rather kindly he will be regarded by his fellows as being insincere.

We know that the Press of Britain is incorruptible, and, speaking as a journalist, its integrity is a matter for the greatest pride. Nevertheless, newspapers are human, and when you quarrel with a newspaper you are quarrelling with something more final than a woman. They have the last word, and it isn't what they say, but rather what they refrain from saying, that is so punishing. And men who write for their living and are attached to the staffs of important journals are so conscious of the advantage they have that they are more than ever careful to avoid anything that bears the appearance of under comment.

The men who criticise plays for the London Press have not all the same high level of intelligence; but they have in common a wide charity which is never expressed so benevolently as when dealing with faults of acting.

The boycotting of the critic is a very foolish game, almost as foolish as if critics boycotted managements. But since my friend the actor is a man of quick understanding, and is, moreover, a man of generous impulses, I have no doubt that the present situation will be relieved very shortly.

There are many ways of helping the theatre—quarrelling with dramatic critics is not one of them.

## HE WHO RUNS CANNOT READ.

That the newspaper is a better medium for advertising than the poster or hoarding was one of the points made in an address to the Leeds Publicity Club by Mr. W. Buchanan Taylor, publicity manager to J. Lyons and Co., Ltd. the great London catering firm.

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## CHAPTER XXIV.

Otto Rigg sat bowed in his chair, his great hands stretched out on his desk, his fists clenching and unclenching. His eyes stared at Martin Stannard, hate and fear in them. Stannard was perched nervously on the edge of his chair, glancing at Otto as if for some order. Joyce drew up a small table and placed upon it a pad, upon which she intended to take a shorthand note of all that transpired—as Martin had asked her to. Martin took from his pocket a sheaf of papers.

As he smoothed them in his hand, Mainwaring suddenly stood up, approaching Otto. "Pistol, please. It is the law speaking." As Otto hesitated, he ran a swift hand over Otto's big person and the hand came away with a service revolver. He performed the same office over the reluctant Stannard, taking from him a big automatic. He examined both these pistols with interest, and after unlatching them, held the cartridges in the palm of his hand, scrutinising them. Then he pocketed everything, sat back with a smile, and said, "Go on, Mr. Stannard."

Stannard looked at his papers, glanced up: "You know why I am here, Otto Rigg. You know I've got you pinned at last."

"Blackmail," snarled Otto Rigg, with a flash of his old arrogance. "I knew it was blackmail. You tried to blackmail the others. . . . And you," turning to Mainwaring, "are an officer of the law, countenancing, nay, supporting such blackmail."

"Be of good heart, Otto," smiled Mainwaring. "At the first hint of blackmail I can arrest Stannard here without warrant."

Otto Rigg decided on a bold stroke. He reached for his telephone. "I'll not stand this," he snarled. "I'll telephone Scotland Yard. They'll stop this blackmail."

"While you are telling Scotland Yard, Otto Rigg," said Martin, evenly, "inform them that the basis of the blackmail is a certain deal in Algoma Stock."

The effect of that name on Otto Rigg was startling. He half rose out of his chair, his hands flew to his throat, and he seemed to be choking. In a minute he slumped back in his chair again, and sat there absolutely collapsed, his mouth loose, his eyes wild, staring, and hopeless.

"You see, Otto Rigg, I know. This is not blackmail, or anything else. It is your crime come home to roost. It is retribution."

He paused for a minute. "To have this in order in the shorthand note I will begin with the formation of Consolidated Exploitations. The Public Trustee has the full details of the inception of that company. All I need say is that Otto Rigg was chairman of directors; Hugo Shanly the managing director; Pedden, Maker, and Gamlin directors; and myself secretary with a directorship. I was the youngest, and simplest, of the Board. I was an outsider. I had a reputation as a clever manipulator of finance, a reputation which Otto Rigg and his brother directors assiduously spread."

"Consolidated Exploitations had been in being some time, and all the shares of its two-million-pound capital had been paid up, when the Directors began sending me about here, there, and everywhere, on the Continent and in this country, on the company's business. It was on my return from one of these journeys that I learnt that one of our book-keepers—a Miss Annie Purvis—had been sent to prison for stealing and altering the books. I was rather surprised, and very sorry, for I had thought Miss Purvis an honest and intelligent, even a conscientious girl. My brother directors, however, were able to prove, with regret in their voices, that there was no doubt about the girl's guilt—hypocrisy was always the strong suit of Otto Rigg and Company."

The words were spoken bitterly, scornfully. Otto Rigg stirred under the lash of them, but did not speak. Martin went on:

"If I had only not trusted my fellow directors—if I had only gone into that matter carefully, I should have found out that the girl was innocent, that her one crime was honesty—that, coupled with the fact that she knew too much of the dishonesty of my brother directors, and was threatening to expose them."

"That's a lie!" snarled Otto Rigg. "It is the truth," said Martin, coldly. "I found a note in Hugo Shanly's diary, which sets all doubts at rest. Annie Purvis found that Hugo was tampering with the company's books. She was silenced by a countercharge, and clapped into prison, where she would remain

silent. Shall I read Hugo Shanly's note to that effect, Otto Rigg?"

Otto Rigg did not answer. Martin Stannard went on: "If I had only known, Annie Purvis's case was but a forerunner of my own. I, too, was to be dealt with in the same way. I, too, suffered from incurable honesty. Time came when I was ordered by the firm abroad. I was to go to South America—wait, Otto, until I am finished. I was ordered to South America. There was a very delicate bit of business to be done there, business where we had to get ahead of certain Continental rivals. So that, I should take our rivals off their guard, it was agreed that I should book my passage under an assumed name. I did all this, and sailed for South America under that assumed name."

"Lies, lies, lies!" burst out Otto.

"You were to go to the United States. You were to go in your own name. This is a tissue of falsehoods to bolster up your story."

"You say so," said Martin, grimly. He lifted a paper. "I have here certain extracts from the papers of Maker, Pedden, and Hugo Shanly on that point. These extracts when linked up make it obvious that my voyage to South America under an assumed name was part of your deliberate plot to make me appear as a criminal fleeing from justice. The voyage to the United States, the buying of a ticket for that destination, and a fortnight was also part of that plot. These extracts prove it. They also prove that I never heard of the voyage to the United States, of any voyage other than that to South America. Shall I read the extracts, Otto Rigg? They are final and convincing."

"Damn you!" snarled Otto Rigg. "Damn you!"

"I left for South America under that assumed name," Martin went on evenly. "My destination was four weeks and three days away. Mark that time. Four weeks and two days after I had started a warrant was out for my arrest. I had, it seems, embezzled nearly all of the capital of Consolidated Exploitations, and bolted under an assumed name to South America, the natural hiding-place of rogues. I learnt that news in a Buenos Aires newspaper on the same day that I learnt another thing. That other thing was that the group of people I had been sent over to a certain inland town in the Argentine to see was non-existent. I was in that town when I read of my 'crime.'"

"The whole thing was brilliantly and ingeniously managed. I was out there, a month away from home, with all the implications of guilt on me—the voyage to South America, when it should have been to the United States, an assumed name, and my story of being there on business absolutely discredited by the fact that there was nobody there to do business with. I was trapped, firmly trapped, and I knew it."

"I saw that in my month's absence these scoundrels would be able to falsify the books and manipulate money in such a way that I, after being absent so long, could not possibly hope to establish my innocence. I saw that if I went home and faced the music, as was my first intention, my position was hopeless. I should be arrested, charged, and I should lose my case; and, because the crime was a particularly heinous and cruel one, I should be sentenced to a long term of imprisonment. By the time I came out of prison they would be secure, for they would have destroyed all evidence that condemned them."

"I decided not to go back and give myself up. I decided for my own sake, for the sake of those many poor shareholders who had suffered in this cruel crime, to hide from justice—until that time when I could be sure that real justice would be served. Incidentally, I might say that, without reckoning on it, my decision proved a wiser step than I knew. As long as I was not arrested these rogues had to keep the secret papers that they would most willingly have destroyed. In so intricate a fraud as this they dare not dispose of any evidence, even that against themselves, for fear of making slips when, if I were arrested, they had to prepare their own case. I found this was so when I examined the secret papers of Gamlin, Maker, Pedden, and Hugo Shanly. I shall undoubtedly find it so when I examine the papers of Otto Rigg, hidden there in that safe."

Otto Rigg gulped and made a convulsive movement towards the safe, but at a gesture from Mainwaring checked himself.

"Having made my decision, I came by gradual stages to this country and got in touch with my mother, who has been the staunchest friend a man ever had. I

found, as I had expected, that though every one connected with Consolidated Exploitations had been ruined, the five directors—not the shareholders, but the five directors only—were surprisingly rich. Pluck and keen business acumen, the world called it. But I knew the real reason, their thefts from Consolidated Exploitations had made them rich."

"It's a lie—prove it!" mumbled Otto.

"I set to work to prove it. I studied the whole case. Disguised, I was able to look at the files and records in the Public Trustee's office. I studied the lives of these men, found out their investments, and traced them back to Algoma Stock. That is the root, that is why Otto Rigg flinches at the sound of the name."

"When I had studied the situation as far as I could I came down here. I had to complete my case against them; I had, above all, to build up a case to clear myself. Here, in Greenhayle, when I had completed my hiding-place, I studied the habits of these men, so that I could be certain of approaching them and tackling them."

"Seward Gamlin was the first, deliberately so. He was the weakest, the most easily frightened. My case, not too strong, was strong enough for him. He became panic-stricken. He did what I demanded, he supplied me with facts, and could not prevent me taking his papers. It was no part of my plan to make him commit suicide. That he committed suicide I cannot even deplore. He was a partner in a vile and cruel conspiracy to defraud a number of trusting people. He caused untold misery among those who had lost all through a callous theft. No, I cannot deplore his death."

"His confession and papers strengthened my hand enormously. I was able to put before Henry Maker facts that were absolutely damning. You know how he acted. Maker's papers added strength to my case. So did Pedden's, so did Hugo Shanly's, so that now I have my dual case complete, Otto Rigg—the case which shows me completely innocent, the case which condemns you, Otto Rigg, as the prime mover of one of the vilest and most heinous conspiracies that the human mind ever stooped to. Listen."

Martin Stannard then began to dictate to Joyce detail by detail the whole process of the gigantic fraud, from the moment the first great sum of money was taken from the company, apparently by Martin Stannard, but in reality by Otto Rigg and the other directors, and invested in the name they intended Martin Stannard to assume, in a long, brilliant, and intricate process. As the structure of duplicity grew up to the point when all the threads were gathered together again in reinvestment of half a score of amounts of the stolen money in Algoma Stock, the guilt of Otto Rigg and his co-directors was ruthlessly and spidily manifest.

Otto Rigg saw it, he shifted and squirmed under it. And then in a wild cry of fear and rage, he cried, "Stop—stop—"

Martin stopped and stared at him, they all stared at him. He recovered his nerves and wits with a great effort.

"A pretty tissue of lies!" he shouted. "A very pretty display by a scoundrel trying to save his neck. . . . Yes, his neck. The effort of a murderer to obscure his crime. . . . A murderer. The murderer of that poor man Dudley, whom you ought to have arrested,

## MORE TROOPS FOR HOME.

### UNITS LEAVING SHANGHAI TO-DAY.

Boasting of no battle honours, attracting no tumultuous public acclaim by impressive marches through the streets of Shanghai, a group of British soldiers who will leave on the troopship City of Marseilles, which will sail from Shanghai to-day, February 28.

Yet, these men have occupied key positions in the British military organization which has defended Shanghai, and, moreover, most of them were volunteers for the job of helping to defend this cosmopolitan city, says the Shanghai Times.

The men leaving on this steamer, "time-expired" men, are proceeding to England, either to rejoin their regiments, or to receive their discharge. All these men are attached to the Command headquarters and were detailed to Shanghai on special duty with that part of a military organization, which is absolutely indispensable, but rarely strays into the limelight.

The details going Home include men from the following units: 8th Hussars, 11th Hussars, 1st Queen's Royal Regiment, 1st Royal Warwickshires, 1st Suffolks, 2nd Beds, and Herts, 2nd Leicestershires, 1st Lancashires, 1st Essex, 1st King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry, and the 2nd Rifle Brigade.

These men were selected from the eastern command, at the beginning of the emergency which started last year, for special duties at Headquarters, Shanghai, and they are, in most cases, volunteers. The main party travelled out as far as Hongkong with the Coldstream Guards, where they transhipped on the Karmala and arrived in Shanghai at the beginning of March, a few days before the Guards arrived.

The City of Marseilles is the last troopship to leave Shanghai during the present troopship season, and it is unlikely that any more troops will arrive until the next season, which starts in September. The steamer is due to arrive at Southampton on April 5, Good Friday.

## LETTER GOLF SOLUTION.

Here is the solution to the puzzle on another page.

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Mr. Mainwaring . . . whom I command you to arrest now—now!" Otto Rigg was making his last effort to stop Martin Stannard's mouth.

(To be continued.)

## THE HOUSEBREAKER'S JOB.

### AN INTERESTING OCCUPATION.

The sight of workmen busily engaged on the demolition of a building always has a great fascination to the onlooker. As the work is of a very dangerous nature, it is surprising how rarely an accident occurs.

The men employed on the wall itself are called "Mattock men," on account of the tool they use, which is like a pick-axe, being somewhat smaller, and with both ends chisel shaped, enabling them to cut away the bricks from the wall in a fairly clean line, without breaking them. As old bricks fetch nearly as good a price as new, they are instructed to work with care.

All fittings, such as doors, fireplaces, &c., have to be removed carefully, as they are all saleable. Should they be of old design the price paid for them is often considerable.

Great regard is paid to the safety of the general public on this kind of work. Hoardings and "fane" are erected to prevent any debris from falling on to the heads of passers by. The foreman in charge has to use great discretion as to which way he will commence the "pulling down," as a collapse in the structure would be a serious matter. Therefore, when possible, the top floor is taken first, and so the building is worked to ground level.

When only the skeleton of the building remain the girders are cut away, thus leaving a vacant space for a new erection. Should there be premises on either side these must be "shored" up with heavy timber before the contractor leaves; thereby ensuring their safety, as by taking away one building from among a block of others the supports are often weakened in the foundations.

Many curious finds are made on these jobs, especially if the building is an old one. Coins which have slipped between the floorboards, old-fashioned candlesticks, secret closets, wall safes, &c., all of which have their own particular values to the dealers who follow the workmen from job to job. During excavation of the basement bones are sometimes found; should any of these prove to be human this means a delay in the work, as the job has to be closed down while an inquest is being held upon them.

## EMPRESS OF MEXICO'S FORTUNE.

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Her Majesty Charlotte Princess of Belgium, Duchess of Saxony, and Princess of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha, widow of the Emperor Maximilian of Mexico, of the Chateau de Bouchout, near Brussels, a sister of the late Leopold II. of Belgium, left estate in England of the value of £116,214. The property abroad is said to exceed £1,250,000.

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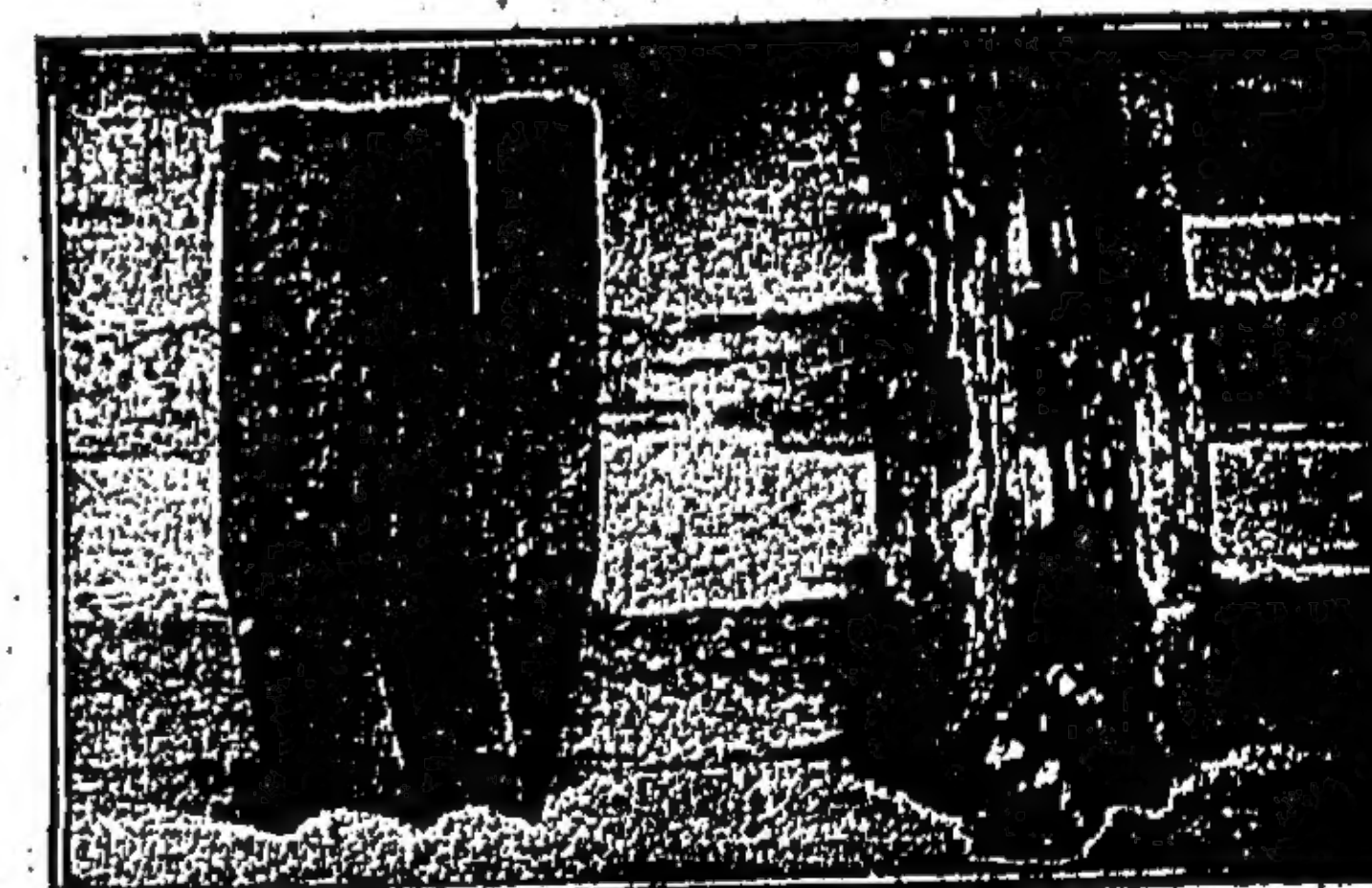
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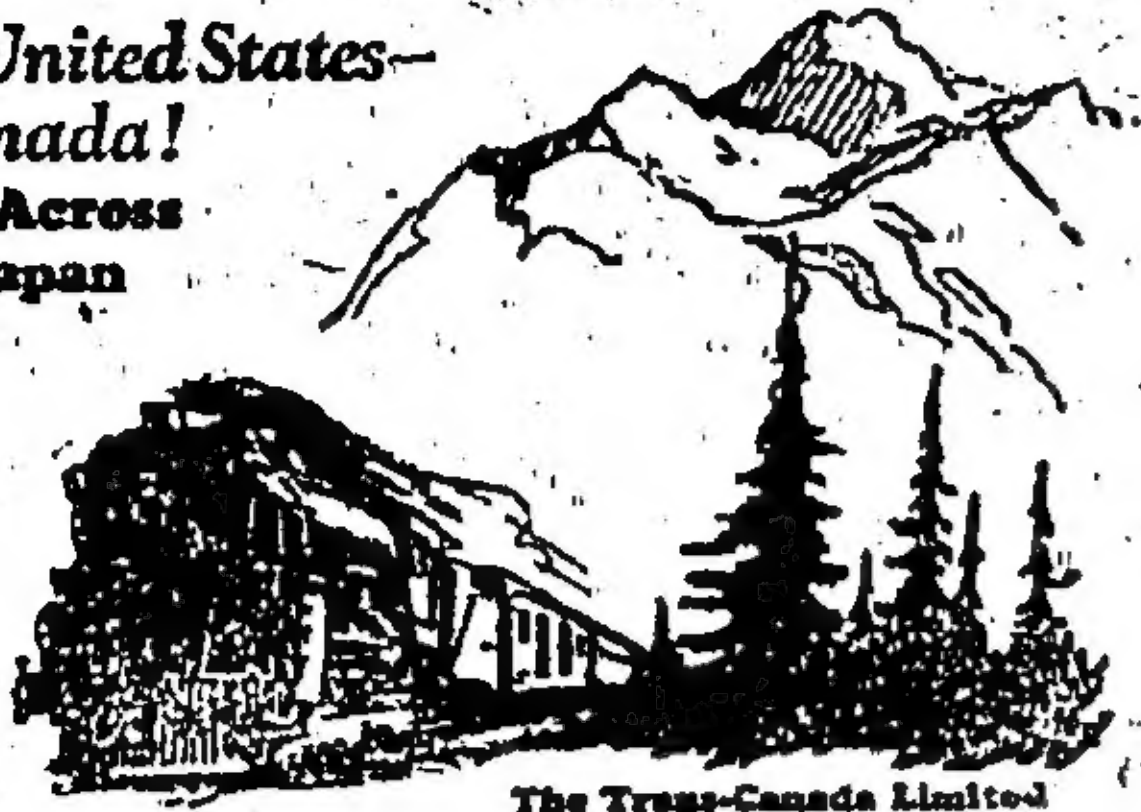
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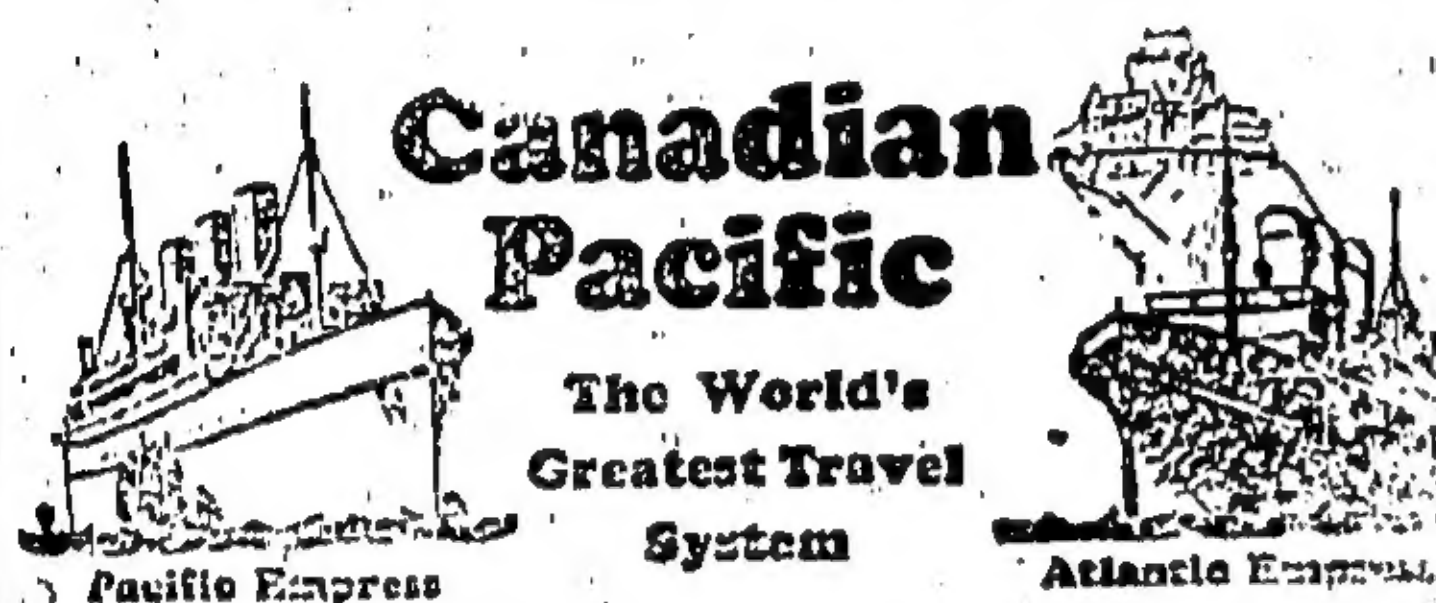
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### EX-KAISER 69 TO-DAY.

### FASCIST DEPUTY'S BIRTH-DAY DIATRIBE.

Berlin, Jan. 26.  
Berlin kiosks to-day showed a placard bearing the motto, "Hail to thee, Oh, Kaiser!"  
To-morrow is the ex-Kaiser's sixty-ninth birthday, and Herr Kube, a "Fascist" member of the Reichstag, announces a meeting of celebration for the evening in terms of bitter irony.  
"The Republic," he says in his placard, is not at all a bad place to live in especially if you have a

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Meantime, the *Kreuz Zeitung* denounces the "li" that the Kaiser deserted his people.

### COMMUNIST DEN?

#### EIGHT MEN CHARGED.

As a result of a police raid on No. 2 Percival Street on February 11, eight Chinese appeared before Mr. R. E. Lindell yesterday afternoon, charged with being in possession of a bomb, without the permission of the Captain Superintendent of Police. The defendants were alternatively charged with being in possession of a tin canister packed with earth and gravel, which was charged with three sticks of dynamite, fitted with fuse and detonators, the explosion of which was likely to cause serious injuries and damage to property.

Describing the raid, a Chinese detective said that at 7.30 p.m. on February 11 Sergeant D. Fitches and a number of detectives proceeded to No. 2 Percival Street. The Police party hid on the landing while witness knocked at the door. A lift in the door was pushed aside and a voice enquired what the detective wanted. Witness replied that he was looking for a certain Lau Him, a fictitious name. The answer was not satisfactory and the detective was told that there was no such person on the premises. The lift on the door was closed and no attempt was made to open the door.

The witness again knocked at the door and this time stated that he wanted to enter the premises on a business matter. This caused a stampede inside the premises, whereupon the witness, having failed to get the occupants to open the door entered the adjoining empty flat, the door of which was opposite that of No. 2, on the same landing.

The witness was followed into No. 4 by several other police officers. On entering they found several men on the verandah.

Sergeant Fitches, who gave evidence, said that he actually saw two men climbing across to No. 4 from the verandah of No. 2.

#### Arms Discovered.

The Chinese detective, who was the first to enter No. 4, with revolver drawn in readiness climbed across the verandah to No. 2. There he met a man in the front room and two others in the passage. Covering these men with his firearm, the detective opened the door and admitted the waiting police into house No. 2.

The men caught in both houses were handcuffed and a systematic search of No. 2 was carried out. Two rattan baskets were found by the police, one of which contained a printing machine, while the other contained a number of pamphlets, including the *Red Flag*, a small booklet. Formulas relative to the manufacture of explosives were also discovered.

Among other things found in the house was a bomb wrapped in Chinese newspaper, which, according to the Government Analyst, Mr. E. R. Dovey, was a dynamite bomb. Other finds unearthed by the police included two knives, described as burman's knife, which resembled a dagger, and, according to one police witness, could be used as such.

### TRUCULENT INDIAN.

#### BOUND OVER TO BEHAVE.

Mr. D. S. Das, the Indian interpreter of the Kowloon Magistracy, prosecuted a fellow countryman before Mr. W. Schofield yesterday on a charge of using abusive language.

It appeared from the evidence that the defendant, who is a store keeper, was fined \$5 last week for disorderly conduct at the Austin Road Market, and after the proceedings in Court he went to the Magistracy office where he began to complain of the injustice of the sentence. He was said to have created a scene in the office and abused the Magistrate as well as the Police.

Mr. Das ordered the man to leave the premises but instead the defendant is alleged to have sworn at the Indian interpreter.

The defendant in court denied the allegations of the prosecution, but after hearing the evidence his Worship bound the defendant over on a personal bond for his future good behaviour.

### WRIGHT BIPLANE.

#### ORIGINAL MACHINE GOES TO ENGLAND.

Washington, Feb. 27.

A dispute with the Smithsonian Institution is responsible for the decision of Mr. Orville Wright to send the original Wright biplane to the British Museum.

A widely reproduced magazine article alleges that the Smithsonian officials are conducting a subtle campaign to give the credit for the Wright Brothers' aero-dynamic discoveries to the late Professor Langley, ex-secretary of the institution. The article says that Mr. Wright expresses the belief that the machine will be impartially judged and receive due credit in the British Museum. *Reuter's American Service.*

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Daniel Driscoll and Edward Rowlands were executed at Cardiff Prison on Jan. 28, for the murder of David Lewis, the boxer and footballer.



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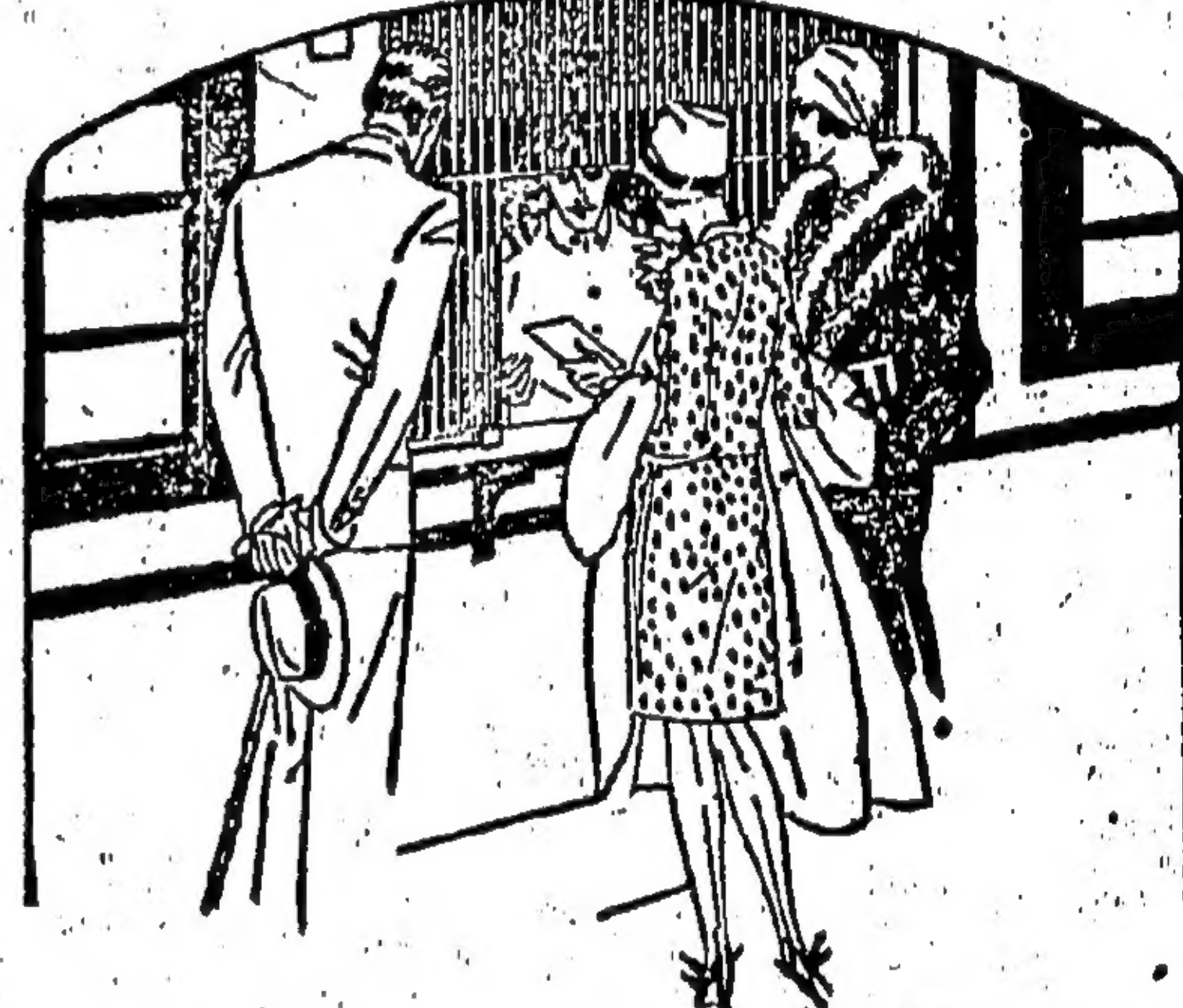
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## CHINA MERCHANTS.

### SHAREHOLDERS' DEMANDS FOR REFORMS.

Shanghai Chinese papers last week contained a message, which was purported to have been issued by the Minister of Communications of the Nationalist Government, in his capacity as official supervisor of the China Merchants S.S. Co., in connection with the demands of certain shareholders for reforms. The petition contained very strong statements as to supposed mismanagement of the company's affairs, and the shareholders asked that the Government should cause an investigation to be made and reforms introduced. The petitioners asked that although the committee appointed by the government to reorganize the company had been in existence for over a year, no definite action had been taken, and they alleged that matters had gone from bad to worse.

It was alleged that few of the larger shareholders had seized all of the company's rights and sold numerous shares and to have kept to themselves the company's profits which, since the Great War, had exceeded \$100,000,000.

In the message referred to above the Minister of Communications is reported to have ordered the complete reorganization of the company. Action in this connection could be delayed by the government of which he was chairman, desired to protect China's shipping rights, especially, he says, as the company is on the verge of bankruptcy. The time was critical and, if energetic and immediate action were not taken there was no hope whatever for the company's recovery. The government simply desired to protect the interests of the shareholders and uphold China's shipping rights. It had no further concern in the matter. Should any directors in the past have assumed their responsibilities, but made mistakes, they would be pardoned and it was hoped that they would mend their ways. It was hoped that all would act in accordance with the orders of the government so that the company could be saved. Shareholders should submit ideas with reference to reform and take part in the forthcoming election of directors.

## NAVAL MOVEMENTS.

### REDUCTIONS & ADDITIONS.

It has been gathered from official sources that a number of changes in the China Squadron will take place during the next few months; the outstanding features of which are the departure of H. M. Ships Argus and Vindictive, and the arrival on the station of H. M. Ships Cumberland and Berwick.

The sloop Hollyhock will sail for the United Kingdom on March 7, being relieved by H. M. S. Cornflower from Home on March 4. H. M. S. Hercules, already on route Home after refit, should arrive here on or about March 19, being preceded by H. M. S. Cumberland, one of the new class of County cruisers on March 12.

H. M. S. Vindictive will sail for England from Hongkong on March 14 and will be followed by H. M. S. Argus six days later. The departure of H. M. S. Ambrose and six Submarines, as already announced, is scheduled for March 28, while the Leader Keppel, and Third Destroyer Flotilla will probably depart hence on May 1.

A further announcement has been made that H. M. S. Concord, with reliefs for units of the Chain Squadron, left Portsmouth on February 22 and will be due here in early April, while H. M. S. Berwick, the second of the new cruisers, will leave England on March 3 and will arrive in Hongkong on April 21.

H. M. S. Cornflower is one of the Herculean Border class of sloop of 1,250 tons and armed with two 4 inch guns. She has been recommissioned from the Navy Reserve.

H. M. S. Berwick and H. M. S. Cumberland are newly built cruisers of the County class, both commissioned during the past few months. These vessels carry eight 8 inch guns as primary armament, with other weapons of smaller calibre. Captain R. S. Wykes-Sneyd, D. S. O., is in command of H. M. S. Berwick and Squadron A. L. Sarge of H. M. S. Cumberland. The Third Flotilla consists of H. M. S. Keppel (Leader), H. M. S. Ships Verity, Veteran, Wanderer, Witherington, Wishart, Wild Swan, Wivern and Wolverine.

## HELP FOR REFUGEES.

### ASSISTANCE FOR HOIFUNG VICTIMS.

Sometime ago, representatives of the Hoifung and Lukfung refugees in Hongkong and Canton appealed to the Commercial Chambers and charity societies for help.

A Ho-Luk-Fung Relief Society was subsequently formed in Canton and two days ago its representative arrived in Hongkong to investigate the exact number of the refugees now in the Colony. Shortly after his arrival he was accompanied by representatives of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce and of the Tung Wah Hospital to pay visits to Shaukiwan and Shum-shui-pu where most of the refugees are living.

As a result of the investigation it is revealed that there are about 20,000 to 30,000 now in Hongkong and the New Territories and it is feared there will be some difficulty in carrying out relief work among them on account of their number. However, the management of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce and of the Tung Wah Hospital are of the opinion that if the Canton Government will send troops to terminate the Communists in Hoifung and Lukfung they will be able to collect the available funds from Hongkong and Canton merchants to convey these thousands of refugees back to their homes and provide them with provisions.

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## BALKAN DISPUTE.

### MUSSOLINI ACCUSED OF RAISING TROUBLE.

Paris, Feb. 27.  
The newspapers are closely watching the Austro-Italian dispute which the People accuses M. Mussolini of trumping up in order to distract attention from an incident into which the League of Nations is at present enquiring, namely the smuggled machine-gun parts recently discovered on the Austro-Hungarian frontier, allegedly consigned from Italy to Hungary.

Volonte, however, says that M. Mussolini will find now that he will have two troublesome affairs on his hands instead of one.

On the contrary Gaulois sees in the Austrian protests the hidden influence of Germany working for an Austro-German union.—Reuter.

## FLYING BOATS.

### EXPECTED IN SINGAPORE THIS MORNING.

London, Feb. 27.  
The four large all-metal Royal Air Force flying boats which left Plymouth on October 7 on a 23,000 miles course to the Far East and Australia will arrive in Singapore to-morrow. The machines will then have flown 10,000 miles. The fleet have already accomplished the longest flying boat formation flight in the history of aviation.

The schedule has, throughout the flight, been punctually adhered to and no mishap has occurred.

At Singapore the craft will have reached their base, where they will ultimately form the nucleus of a Far East Air Fleet, designed to work in conjunction with the Eastern naval forces. Before taking up these duties they will proceed to Port Darwin and thereafter make an Australian coast cruise.—British Wireless.

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KARMALA	9,128	24th Mar.	Marseilles & London
IMIRZAPORE	6,715	27th Mar.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay
MANTUA	10,946	31st Mar.	Marseilles & London
KALYAN	9,144	7th Apr.	Marseilles, L'don & A'worp
MONGOLIA	16,504	14th Apr.	Marseilles & London
INAGPORE	5,283	21st Apr.	Marseilles & London
MOREA	10,953	28th Apr.	Marseilles, L'don & A'worp
KASHGAR	9,005	12th May	Marseilles, L'don & A'worp
JEYPORE	5,318	19th May	Marseilles & London
MALWA	10,986	26th May	Bombay, Marseilles & London
DELTA	8,097	9th June	Marseilles, L'don & A'worp
NOVARA	6,989	16th June	Bombay, Marseilles & London
RANPURA	16,601	23rd June	Bombay, Marseilles & London

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ST. ALBANS	4,500	6th Mar.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yok.
SHIRALA	7,341	9th Mar.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka
INAGPORE	5,283	12th Mar.	Sh'hai, Kobe & Yok.
MANTUA	10,946	16th Mar.	Shanghai
ILAHORE	5,252	19th Mar.	Sh'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yok.
SANTHIA	7,754	21st Mar.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka
TAKADA	6,949	28th Mar.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yok.
MOREA	10,953	30th Mar.	Sh'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yok.
ARAFURA	6,000	3rd Apr.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yok.
JEYPORE	6,318	10th Apr.	Sh'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yok.
TALAMBA	8,018	11th Apr.	Amoy, Sh'hai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka
KASHGAR	9,005	13th Apr.	Sh'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yok.
TILAWA	10,006	21st Apr.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe, & Osaka
MALWA	10,986	27th Apr.	Sh'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yok.
NOVARA	6,989	8th May	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yok.
TANDA	6,656	8th May	Sh'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yok.
DELTA	8,097	11th May	Sh'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yok.
RANPURA	16,601	25th May	Sh'hai, Kobe & Yok.
NANKIN	7,058	4th June	Sh'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yok.

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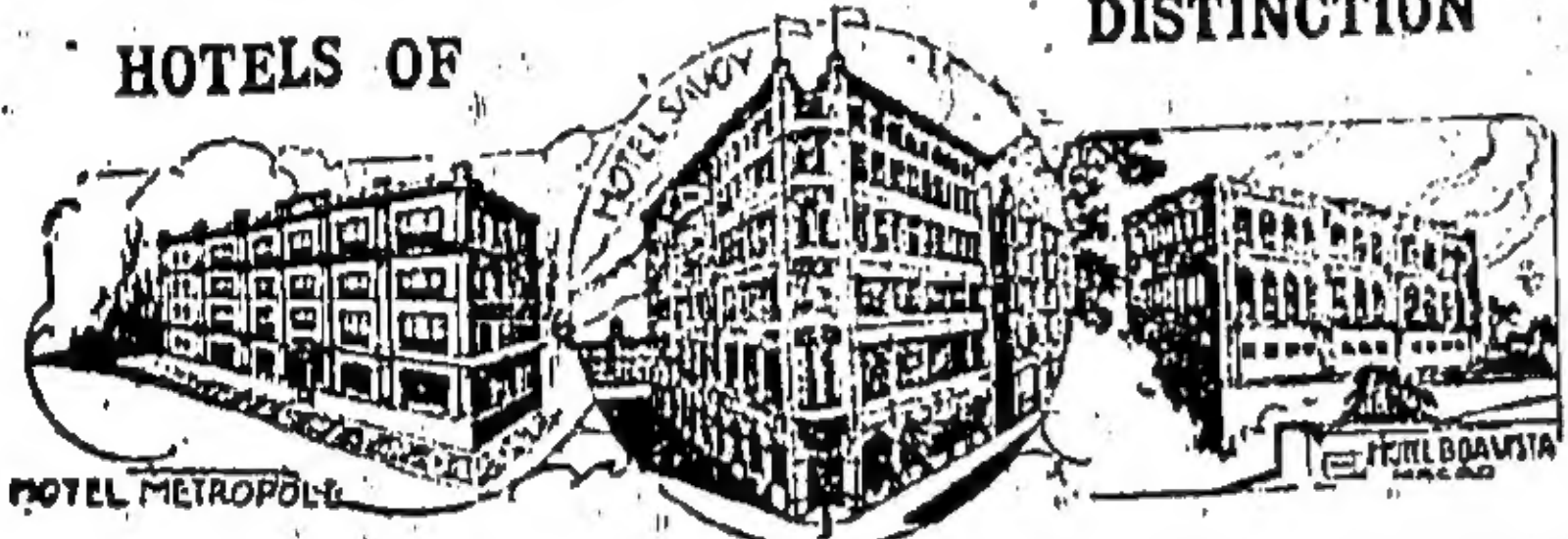
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PEACE IN COTTON  
INDUSTRY.EARNEST ATTEMPTS TO  
REACH COMPROMISE.

## REASONS FOR CRISIS.

London, Feb. 27.  
The joint conference of the  
cotton employers and the opera-  
tives leaders held at Manchester  
to-day, after a discussion lasting  
for over four hours, adjourned un-  
till Monday next without coming to  
a decision.  
An official statement issued  
states that the representatives of  
the operatives handed the em-  
ployers a note, expressing regret  
that the latter were not in favour  
of the establishment of a Statu-  
tory Committee to enquire into the  
position of the industry.  
The note also declared that nei-  
ther the wages paid nor the 48-  
hour week were causes of the un-  
satisfactory state of the industry.  
The real causes would be found  
elsewhere.

## Impartial Inquiry Urged.

An independent and impartial  
inquiry was most likely to di-  
agnose the causes correctly and the  
operatives cannot agree to the  
employers' proposals to appoint a  
Committee of twelve representa-  
tives of each side to consider the  
factors of the cost of production  
of yarn cloth, and to report within  
a month how production costs can  
be reduced so as to secure a greater  
volume of trade.

The employers, in reply, point-  
ed out that they have withdrawn  
definitely the specific recommen-  
dations for the reduction of wages  
and an increase of hours, but they  
have not withdrawn the question  
of investigating the effect of the  
present wages and hours upon their  
competitive power.

The employers would collaborate  
with the operatives in ascertaining  
any facts mutually agreed to be  
germane to the question.  
The conference adjourned to  
enable the operatives representa-  
tives to consider the employers'  
last proposal.—*Reuter.*

WASHINGTON HOURS  
CONVENTION.WHY BRITAIN WILL NOT  
RATIFY.

London, Feb. 27.  
A debate was initiated in the  
House of Commons by Mr. Shaw,  
Minister of Labour in the late  
Labour Government, on the  
Washington Hours Convention.  
Mr. Shaw charged the Govern-  
ment with failing to ratify the  
Convention.

Mr. Belderton, Parliamentary  
Secretary to the Ministry of Labour,  
replying, pointed out that the British  
delegates to Washington were  
not plenipotentiaries and that  
what they signed was not a Treaty  
but a Draft Convention. He  
mentioned many Draft Conven-  
tions which had never been ratified  
by various countries.

Before this country could ratify  
the Convention, said Mr. Belderton,  
it had to bring the law of the  
country into conformity with the  
Convention. He declared:—"We  
are not prepared to ratify, because,  
in our view, there are at this  
moment agreements in existence  
affecting many hundreds of thou-  
sands of workers, which agree-  
ments we believe are valuable  
instruments for the maintenance  
of industrial peace. We believe  
these agreements would be im-  
perilled, and this result would be  
a calamity, and it is a risk we are  
not prepared to take."—*British  
Wireless.*

JAPANESE POLITICAL  
RIOT.

## SERIOUS CLASH WITH POLICE.

Tokyo, Feb. 28.  
Several police, including two  
officers, were injured last night  
when a crowd, estimated at over a  
thousand, clashed with a strong de-  
tachement sent to watch over a  
Proletarian Party meeting.

The main trouble arose when the  
police, after suppressing several  
speakers, closed the doors and re-  
fused admittance to hundreds who  
were wishing to enter.  
Bricks and stones were freely  
used as missiles.

Reinforcements for the police  
were hastily rushed up before the  
infuriated mob was dispersed.

A number of persons are reported  
to have been seriously injured dur-  
ing the melee and about a hundred  
were arrested.—*Reuter.*

## GERMAN POLITICS.

NON-CONFIDENCE VOTE  
REJECTED.

Berlin, Feb. 27.  
The Reichstag to-day rejected a  
motion of non-confidence in the  
Government proposed by the  
Communist Party.—*Reuter.*

FOREIGN OFFICE  
SCANDAL.

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only, and had nothing at all in  
common with a gamble in differ-  
ences.—*Reuter.*

## Press Comment.

London, Feb. 28.  
The newspapers commend the  
promptitude of the Government's  
action with regard to the France  
case, as well as the courage and  
candour of the framers of the  
report.

They agree that the punishment  
of the officials concerned is none  
too severe, though the *Daily  
Telegraph* appears to find some  
extenuation in what it describes  
as the inadequacy of the salaries  
of higher officials in the Foreign  
Office.

While all commentators regret  
the revelations, the view is  
expressed that the report has  
amply vindicated the honourable  
traditions of the Civil Service.—*Reuter.*

## The Board of Inquiry.

The following were the mem-  
bers of the Special Board of  
Inquiry: Sir Warren Fisher,  
G.C.B., G.C.V.O., Permanent Sec-  
retary to the Treasury; Sir Mal-  
colm Ramsay, K.C.B., Comptroller  
and Auditor-General; and Mr. M.  
L. Gwyer, C.B., H.M. Procurator-  
General and Solicitor to the Treas-  
ury. Sir Warren Fisher is the  
head of the Civil Service; Mr.  
Gwyer fulfilled every legal quali-  
fication that could be desired;  
while Sir Malcolm Ramsay is by  
virtue of his office independent of  
and apart from the Civil Service  
of the Crown.

SIR PAUL CHATER'S  
CODICIL.

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In matters which concerned the  
company and that upon his retire-  
ment, or in the event of his death,  
by his will, he could appoint a per-  
son or persons suitable for filling  
the appointment.

After quoting from the Memoran-  
dum, Mr. Potter submitted that  
during Sir Paul's lifetime he could  
have made alternative appointments  
of any number, and in the same  
way he was clearly entitled to do so  
by will. The intention of the Mem-  
orandum was to give him the same  
power under his will as he had  
during his lifetime.

## Desired Status.

At the time Mr. Baggam's  
nomination and appointment  
became effective, Mr. Potter  
argued, he was a qualified person,  
and Mr. Potter submitted that  
there was nothing in the  
memorandum to prevent his acting  
as permanent managing director.

Reading from the judgment Mr.  
Potter quoted "In my opinion the  
formation on August 19, 1926, of  
the Hongkong Finance and Invest-  
ment Co., Ltd. did not in fact  
clothed status. At its best this  
was merely a titular qualification.  
But even as a title it is in my  
opinion insufficient. The defect  
appears when it is sought to apply  
to this limited company the words  
'so long as such corporation  
carries on business in the Colony.'  
This corporation has at no time  
fulfilled this provision as will be  
clear from the statement of facts,  
included in the earlier portion of  
the judgment."

## Main Object to Qualify.

Replying to the quoted part of  
the judgment, Mr. Potter sub-  
mitted that the company had in  
fact carried on business. He said  
it was irrelevant to look into the  
books of a company to discover  
whether it was actually carrying  
on business. It was utterly  
irrelevant to say that once there  
was a life company on the regis-  
ter it was not carrying on busi-  
ness.

Mr. Baggam had freely admit-  
ted that the main object of  
the company was to qualify. If a  
person was entitled to do a certain  
thing he was entitled to do it.

Sir Henry Gollan: He was  
entitled to form the company but  
the question arises whether the  
company actually carried on  
business or whether it was merely  
an attempt to get over a difficulty.

Mr. Potter: If the company is  
alive, is registered and has an  
office, it is carrying on business.

He submitted there was no  
happy medium. His view was to  
what carrying on business meant,  
had either to be accepted, or else  
each case had to be investigated.

## Court Not To Question Merits.

Sir Peter Grain:—So long as the  
individual is technically qualified  
the Court has to be satisfied?

Mr. Potter:—Quite. The testa-  
ment having made an appointment it  
is not for you to question the  
merits of it.

The case is proceeding.

OUTBREAK OF WAR  
RECALLED.DEATH OF FORMER GERMAN  
AMBASSADOR.

## PRINCE LICHNOWSKY.

London, Feb. 27.  
Memories of the outbreak of the  
War are recalled by the news from  
Breslau of the death of Prince Lich-  
nowsky, who was German Ambas-  
sador in London at that time.

It is recalled how he was person-  
ally unfavourable to war with Great  
Britain and was in great grief when  
the peace efforts failed.

Barely six months ago, Prince  
Lichnowsky visited England and re-  
newed some of his old friendships.  
—*British Wireless.*

The late Prince Lichnowsky was  
65 years old, and was the head of a  
Silesian family of ancient aristo-  
cratic lineage, with large estates at  
Kuchelna and Gratz. His mother  
was a Princess of Croix. The son of  
a Prussian General of Cavalry, he  
himself began life as a soldier, and  
was a brother-officer of the ex-  
Kaiser in the Life Guard Hussars.  
The Emperor, recognizing the ex-  
ceeding good birth of the Lich-  
nowskys, frequently addressed the  
Prince with the appellation of  
equality, "du." During "Chancellor  
crises" Prince Lichnowsky was fre-  
quently mentioned as a logical pos-  
sibility for the Premiership. He  
was born friend of Prince Bulow  
and, contrary to the example of  
others, remained loyal to the fallen  
Chancellor after the latter's totter  
from grace. Prince Lichnowsky,  
strangely enough, began his diplo-  
matic career as an attaché in Lon-  
don forty years ago. When he was  
appointed Ambassador, he said he  
felt, in returning to England, like  
a man going back home. Al-  
though a Roman Catholic, Prince  
Lichnowsky never identified himself  
with the Clerical Centre Party or  
its ultra-montane politics. Nominally  
a Conservative, he revealed dis-  
tinct traces of Liberalism during  
the bitter controversy over Prussian  
Franchise Reform in 1910. His  
wife, who was predestined to make  
a deep impression on London so-  
ciety, was, like her husband, a clever  
writer.

## POLICE RESERVE.

## ORDERS BY THE C.S.P.

Hongkong Police Reserve Or-  
ders by the Hon Mr. E. D. C.  
Wolfe, C.M.G., Captain Superin-  
tendent of Police, states:

## Governor's Inspection.

His Excellency the Governor  
will inspect the Hongkong Police  
Reserve in conjunction with the  
Hongkong Police Force and the  
Hongkong Fire Brigade on Wed-  
nesday, March 28th, on the Murray  
Parade Ground. All Police Re-  
servists are requested to keep this  
date open.

## Practice Parade.

All members of the Chinese,  
Indian and Sharpshooters' Com-  
panies will attend a practice  
parade on the Central Police  
Station Compound on Wednesday,  
February 29th. Fall in at 5.30  
p.m. sharp. Dress: Uniform,  
Cap without cover, and belt.

## Flying Squad.

The next weekly instructional  
Patrol will be held in Kowloon  
on Thursday, March 1st. Fall in  
at the Star Ferry Wharf (Hong-  
kong side) at 5.10 p.m. sharp.

Those men who have not pass-  
ed out in Part 1 of training course  
will attend at the Central Police  
Station Compound at 5.14 p.m. on  
Thursday, March 1st for squad  
drill under Sergeant R. J. Hunt.

## Sharpshooters' Company.

The regular revolver practice  
will be carried out at Kennedy  
Road Range next Sunday morning,  
March 3rd at 10 a.m. Uniform  
optional. Members will bring  
their revolvers and belts with  
holsters. All men should practice  
rapid drawing of their  
weapons from the new holsters at  
the Rapid Drawing Test, will be  
carried out on Sunday next.  
Adjutant.

(Sgd.) L. H. C. CALTHROP, A.S.P.

## HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

The following are the replies to  
to-day's questions:

1. The Army Council has abandoned the  
proposed compulsory regulation of this dis-  
trict for military occupation. 2. Volume  
Three of the Second Series of "The Letters  
of Queen Victoria"; 1879-1888. 3. Unofficial  
meetings held between 1921 and 1922, of  
members of the Roman Catholic and English  
Churches to endeavour to promote unity. 4.  
Between 200,000 and 400,000. 5. St. John  
the Divine. 6. There are two exceptional  
patent agents on patent matters, and a  
criminal from the dock. 7. Tullian. 8. (a)  
Crooks, especially safebreakers; (b) pic-  
noleers. 9. Small prairie wolves; Western  
North America. 10. Sir John Tenniel. 11.  
Salsburgh, Burns; Pennington; Milton. 12.  
Tally; the reference is to the shepherd count-  
ing his sheep.

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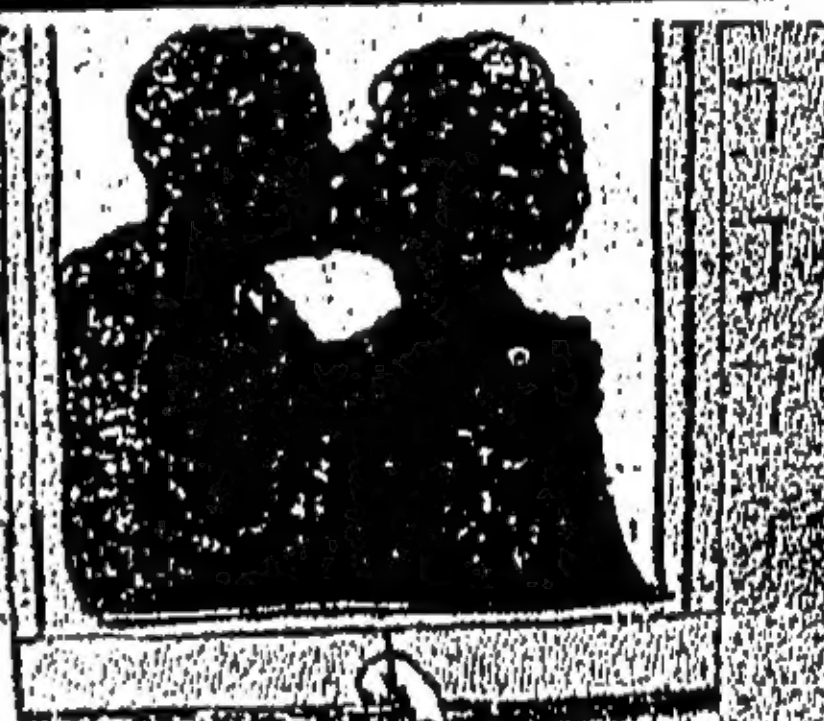
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